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'Sammy Swims' Raises $15,000 for Travis Roy Foundation

By Mick Colageo

In the face of a daunting task, Sammy Davis got nervous just like anyone else would. It wasn't December's 45-degree ocean water that bothered her, more so she was afraid of letting down the Travis Roy Foundation.

"I was nervous we wouldn't reach our original goal," Davis told *The Wanderer*.

Uncertainty proved to be no match for the 2015 Tabor Academy graduate and her friend, Jenna Seibold, who together swam offshore for 24 straight days in December and raised $15,372 for the Travis Roy Foundation.

The original goal was $2,400; it was topped in less than a week. Davis and Seibold blew their second goal of $5,000 out of the water as well. Momentum built as word got out, and more and more people wanted to jump in. A $14,000 goal was ultimately set, and they beat that one, too.

"We're over $15,000, and we were still swimming," said Davis, overwhelmed with community

"It can get busy at sometimes and overwhelming," said Davis, whose surgical history, including both hips and a hand injury that led to treatment by an occupational therapist, influenced her career choice.

Despite missing the entire 2017-18 hockey season, Davis came through successfully and returned to the Terriers in 2018-19 as a captain. She was named a Hockey East Distinguished Scholar by the conference.

In an interview with uscho.com, Davis described

On the Cover: *Boston Pride hockey player Samantha Davis was back in Marion for Christmas Eve, the final day of her 24-day "Sammy Swims" fundraiser for the Travis Roy Foundation. The 2015 Tabor Academy graduate and her friend, Jenna Seibold, an Endicott College student from Reading, swam off the beach from various south shore locations beginning on December 1. The effort drew dozens of participants and raised $15,372 in memory of Tabor legend Travis Roy, who passed away in late October. Photo courtesy Travis Roy Foundation*

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how the thoughts that led to the 24-day effort had been simmering while she was in school.

"Towards my end of my college career, I started learning that we have a voice and people want to listen to us. I knew I wanted to make change in something," Davis said. "I've just been thinking a lot about Travis and thinking about how much he's done to the hockey community and for people with spinal cord injuries in general. I just knew I wanted to do something for him. There are always people out there that need help. I think that that was one of our biggest takeaways. I feel like right now, in life, I am satisfied. I have everything that I could want. So how can I help somebody else?"

Roy, who passed away in October due to complications related to his paralysis, wore No. 24 with the BU men's hockey team, which retired the number in his honor. By the end of 2020, the foundation bearing his name helped over 2,100 people paralyzed by spinal cord injuries. In 2020 alone, there were 156 Quality of Life recipients of grants from the foundation for equipment to significantly improve their day-to-day lives. The foundation also contributes to research, and Roy tirelessly advocated for stem-cell advances.

The idea for "Sammy Swims" came together at the gym where Davis works out and met Seibold, an Endicott College hockey player, who was 90 days into a 150-day swimming mission. Davis decided out of curiosity to take the dip. Then she connected the dots. "I already knew I wanted to donate money ... why not do this? Let's do 24 swims," Davis told *The Wanderer*. "It went by so fast; it's so crazy."

Making time to volunteer for her community is something Davis was already doing while attending Tabor Academy. "She's an incredibly giving person, and there is no better cause than the Travis Roy Foundation for her to contribute her time and treasure, especially during this year," said Tabor Interim Head of School Julie Salit.

A three-sport star in field hockey, ice hockey, and softball, Davis excelled on the rink and was a First Team NEPSGIHA All-Star senior. In 2015, she was named winner of the Bruins' John Carleton Memorial Trophy annually presented to the outstanding boys

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and girls high school hockey players in Massachusetts. Davis significantly expanded her hockey horizons in 2015 when she wore the "A" while helping Team USA's U18 women's team capture gold in the IIHF World Championships.

Davis continued climbing at Boston University, where she was unanimously selected to Hockey East's All-Rookie Team and finished second in the running for 2015-16 Rookie of the Year. As a senior, she led the Terriers in scoring and completed her college career with 66-76-142 totals.

"If you're really passionate about it and you want it, I love hockey, and I love being a part of a team. I told myself I'm going to have to make it work [and] sacrifice some things like a social life," said Davis, whose lack of a conventional social life may hurt on certain days, but "one door closes and another door opens."

Davis' volunteerism with the Bandits, her Bridgewater-based junior hockey program, participation in clean-up efforts at Mattapoisett town beach and a recycling facility in New Bedford, volunteering at

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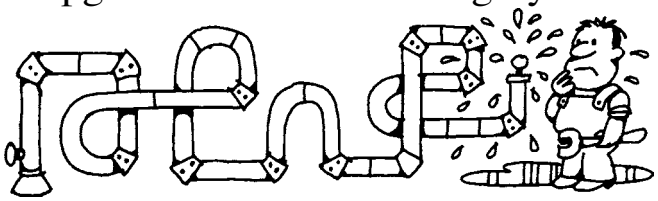
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Acushnet-based Gifts to Give, and working with New Bedford kindergartners are some of the other ways she has taken the lead in her school community.

"She's always been a leader. She was always one of those kids if something needed to get done," said Tabor girls hockey coach Eric Long, who is also director of Admissions and Financial Aid. "As a high school kid, in the gym she was the hardest-working kid, getting up hours before school. She was the best role model for kids."

Long compared Davis' effect similarly to former local hockey players, including Rochester's Haley Frade, who went on to play at Providence College, and Halle Silva, who went on to play at Northeastern University. Silva, now Halle Young, is Long's assistant coach.

"All those kids, they feed into one another," said Long, accentuating motivation that translates into academics and community involvement as being more integral to a program's success than natural ability in a sport. "You have these kids who make my job really easy. They set the highest standard you can set.... Erin Kickham was that kid. [Davis] heard those names, too, and added on. It's really neat to see the kids do that."

While the destiny of the Tabor girls hockey season is not yet determined, students tentatively return to campus on January 28. "I'm hoping we can get some games in," said Long, who will see four 2021 graduates leave to play in Hockey East schools next fall. "We haven't created a bubble by any means, but we have a more closed community."

Now six years removed from Tabor, Davis enjoyed revisiting the Marion campus for the final swim of her 24, accompanied by many supporters.

Her hockey will be played inside a bubble in Lake Placid, New York, beginning January 23. The six NWHL teams will play a five-game, round-robin schedule, followed by a playoff round that will produce four semifinalists and finally two finalists for a Friday, February 5, title contest for the Isobel Cup.

"I've been there before, it's beautiful, it's awesome and a great platform and great venue," she said.

As her world expands and the adventures pile up, Davis remains confident that she's never far from

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home and all the leaders who helped her get where she is. December's chilly ocean resides in her mind like a summer dip.

"I think I benefitted more from [the fundraising project] than the foundation. I think I grew as a person, and I needed it," said Davis. "It was the coolest 24 days I've ever been a part of and a great way to end 2020 on a positive note."

Alvin's Silence is a Sign of Winter

By George B. Emmons

The comical, animated chipmunk that entertained us all last summer by scurrying back and forth across our backyard with cheeks stuffed with seeds and nuts is a comical personality of the larger squirrel family.

The chipmunk appeared regularly, every morning during daylight hours, industriously finding and transporting food to be stored up for this winter. After the chambers of the den were dug for storage, it used dirt to plug the working tunnel and then began another hidden entrance under a woodpile, which is out of sight of predators.

Now the animal is hibernating with its treasure trove of food in a torpid state of lower temperature and slower heartbeat. It may wake up every few days to eat and then go outside to defecate. Then it goes back down to go to sleep in its subterranean shelter from the ice and snowstorms of a past winter blizzard as snug as a bug.

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When this chipmunk scampered across our yard, it held its flat furry tail joyfully in the air, as in my illustration, with a cute, mischievous expression and made a short chipping sound from which it gets its description title. It is believed the chipmunk was named from the "chetamon" native title given it by the Chippewa Indians.

The stage name Alvin was inspired by writer and composer David Seville as the naughty ringleader of the performing trio that also included Simon, the bespectacled intellect, and Theodore, the animated chubby character clown. All three personalities have very strong qualities associated with real people that have high squeaky voices and a humorous repertoire of animated song and dance. This attribution of human behavior to Alvin and the Chipmunks is a classic example of a phenomenon in children's literature called "anthropomorphism."

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Anthropomorphism has ancient roots in storytelling as well as illustrations of both domestic and wild creatures. Prehistoric caveman reproductions of wild animal figures of prey are determined to be approximately 32,000 years old. In print, there are also ancient fables with lessons of behavior to be read by youngsters that put animals in a pleasing light and enjoyable as fairytale telling in early childhood. In film entertainment, television, and video games, some notable examples are Walt Disney's Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and female singing chipmunks called The Chipettes, and Warner Bros.' Porky Pig.

A familiar Christmas theme found its way into the Chipmunks' home, where Alvin turned over a new leaf of bad behavior just in time to ensure that Santa Claus would climb down their chimney. The "Christmas with the Chipmunks" album ranked in popularity with Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, with the Chipmunks' penultimate number, the entertaining "The Chipmunk Song (Christmas Don't Be Late)."

In Christmas mode, Alvin became the most successful children's artist of all time. He earned five Grammy Awards, an American Music Award, a Golden Reel Award, three Emmy Awards, and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

From the back porch of our seaside residence in Little Bay, we will be glad when the winter and pandemic are behind us. We look forward to the return of the ospreys to the nearby net, the gulls diving down over returning schools of striped bass, and, especially, the comical entertainment of the anthropomorphic chipmunk. Let them take us back to the magical moment of the arrival of the springs we used to know with their hopeful promises of a healthy environmental renewal.

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Steen Presents Revised Heron Cove Plan

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

In a meeting spilling over with significant matters, the Marion Board of Selectmen opened a public hearing with developer Ken Steen of Steen Realty to discuss a Comprehensive Permit for his Heron Cove residential development on Wareham Road.

Steen's former application for a 96-unit residential complex has given way to a revised plan seeking 120 units in order to mitigate the costs that will come with infrastructural requirements. The 24 new units in what is described as a friendly 40B project will add 5,280 gallons per day in sewage, raising the total from 22,640 to 27,920 gallons.

Represented by designer Phil Cordeiro of Lakeville-based Allen & Major Associates and attorney Mark Bobrowski, Steen sought the selectmen's approval of proposed revisions for the sake of petitioning at the state level.

Approximately a year and a half ago, the Marion

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selectmen approved a friendly 40B project along Route 6 before utility study results came back from Marion's consultant engineer with costs that Steen found to be prohibitive. On January 5, Steen came back seeking the selectmen's approval of his revised Local Initiative Program (LIP) application geared toward affordable housing.

The revision includes eight new buildings, each containing three two-bedroom, triplex units mainly focused on using an area of land previously reserved for Approval Not Required (ANR) development. The two ANR lots will now be a campus-like project.

"We are fully confident that the site is fully supportive of these elements," said Cordeiro. Steen characterized the original plan as being at a dead end. The revised layout connects all roads and maintains a fire emergency exit.

The responses were mostly positive.

Selectman John Waterman thanked Steen for being responsive to the needs of Marion seniors to downsize. Waterman asked about incoming students to the public school system. Steen, who is presently building near the junction of routes 28 and 58 in Rochester, said the revised project would generate 12-15 new students over a 12 to 24-month range of absorption.

Stressing that an immediate answer was not expected, Waterman further requested incentives to help more first responders and town employees at large move in. "I think it would generate a tremendous amount of goodwill," he said.

"If everything went well ... maybe nine months we could move some people in, but probably 12 months is a more realistic target," said Steen.

Bobrowski said the timeline for a locally approved revision would depend heavily on the state Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). If directed to reapply, it would take another 60-90 days. "I'm already at 120 days," said Bobrowski hypothetically. He said plans to go back to the Marion Zoning Board of Appeals on January 19 would be postponed.

Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail said the

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town's intention would be to have the selectmen ready to vote on January 19 and said he would seek to set up a meeting for that date.

"We look forward to getting this permit and getting a shovel in the ground," said Steen.

"We're not talking about a simple process here; we just need to work together," said Selectman Norm Hills.

In a 4:30 pm public hearing, Liz Argo appeared on behalf of the Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative Inc. (CVEC) regarding the solar array proposed for the Benson Brook landfill.

The project is still in design stages, and the town is still waiting on the utility company Eversource for news on interconnection fees. If the fees are heavy, CVEC will return to Bill Saltonstall and discuss whether the project is still considered feasible.

While developer Distributed Solar Development is reportedly very interested in seeing the project go forward, Argo doesn't expect Eversource to report until the spring.

In his Town Administrator's Report, Jay McGrail told the selectmen that Marion has been accepted by the state as a First Responder Vaccination Clinic, starting next week with a drive-thru COVID-19 clinic (Moderna) for all first responders in the towns of Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and Wareham. Some 400 vaccines have been offered at the Cushing Community Center by appointment only.

In a 4:15 pm appointment, Jeff Doubrava of the Community Preservation Committee pitched the selectmen on a new Community Preservation Act bylaw that could be on the warrant for the annual spring Town Meeting. As Doubrava explained, right now, there is no mechanism by which the town can take back funds lying dormant instead of being used for the purposes for which their allocation had been approved. Doubrava does not want an arbitrary timeline, saying that each situation is different. No vote was taken; the proposal will be on the Spring Town Meeting warrant, then the selectmen will vote.

Chief of Police Richard Nighelli's contract was ratified with a vote of the selectmen. The new police chief thanked the board, McGrail, the community, and retired Police Chief John Garcia. "I've received a lot of support since I was named chief," said Nighelli, extending his thoughts to the men and women of the Marion Police Department. "Without them, I wouldn't be in this position."

The selectmen also approved special officer Connor Flynn's appointment to full-time officer on a one-year probationary period. Later in the meeting, the selectmen also voted to permanently appoint Nighelli as Marion's emergency management director. Fire Chief Brian Jackvony had been serving in an interim capacity.

After much discussion and review, the Board of Selectmen accepted McGrail's recommendations to delay the reassignment of the aquaculture permits pending the ratification of a comprehensive set of regulations.

Harbormaster Isaac Perry said he could offer the selectmen a timeline during its next meeting on January 19. Deputy Harbormaster/Shellfish Officer Adam Murphy said, "This won't stop the applicants; it will prolong the process. There is opportunity." McGrail said he would let the applicants know that Marion is not moving forward at this time.

The reopening of the Benson Brook transfer station scheduled for January 2 has been delayed by the ongoing removal of compacter and wiring equipment owned by the Carver, Marion, Wareham Regional Refuse Disposal District. When that is finished, then Waste Management will install new equipment.

The board approved two requests to connect to municipal sewer from Briggs Lane and from 17 Moorings Road. Waterman recused himself from the 17 Moorings Road vote, citing a personal friendship. Still, he did strongly urge special conditions to an approval so that the town can best control sewerage into private roads.

The Conservation Commission requested the appointment of Ethan Gerber as a full member.

The selectmen approved the filing of an Annual Report to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC).

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, at 4:00 pm.

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Town Seeks Grant for Senior Center Addition

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

Rochester Selectman Woody Hartley has been working on potential grant funding to add a three-season room to the Senior Center at 67 Dexter Lane. Simultaneously, Hartley was also looking into a MassDOT Shared Streets grant that would have funded a solar canopy over a parking lot in the area of Town Hall, but that idea was put aside.

The Board of Selectmen held two meetings in the last eight days, one on December 30 and another on January 4. Hartley laid out the two projects on December 30.

At the time, Hartley was working to confirm the $165,000 price tag for the Senior Center project while seeking a vote to authorize Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar to sign the grant application. "It's not visible from the street, so I don't have a problem with it," said Selectman Brad Morse, making the motion. The board voted its approval, and Hartley said approval would also be needed from the Rochester Historic District Commission.

Eric Arbeene from the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) "did a lot of work on this and put it together," according to Hartley.

As Hartley presented under the category "Investments in the Future," the Senior Center project is meant to address an ongoing effort. Officially, the Rochester Council on Aging seeks to make permanent a pilot program implemented during the coronavirus pandemic to expand upon services, meals, and activities for seniors and the community.

During the spring and summer months, the COA bought outdoor tents and restarted the Coffee and Conversation program. Citing the program's success, a prefabricated, three-season room measuring 64 feet long by 12 feet wide would function as a permanent outdoor space. The room would increase the COA's usable space by 15 percent.

With the expansion, social distancing requirements can continue to be met while, at the same time, programming could be maintained and even expanded.

Objections to the solar canopy were more logistical than conceptual, and the location was central to Chairman Paul Ciaburri and Selectman Brad Morse's concerns. "The other one is more important," said Hartley of the Senior Center project.

In other business, Szyndlar told the selectmen that Marion's Benson Brook transfer station is temporarily closed until mid-January due to the ongoing removal of CMW Refuse Disposal District equipment and the installation of new equipment. Updates will be forthcoming on Rochester's town website,

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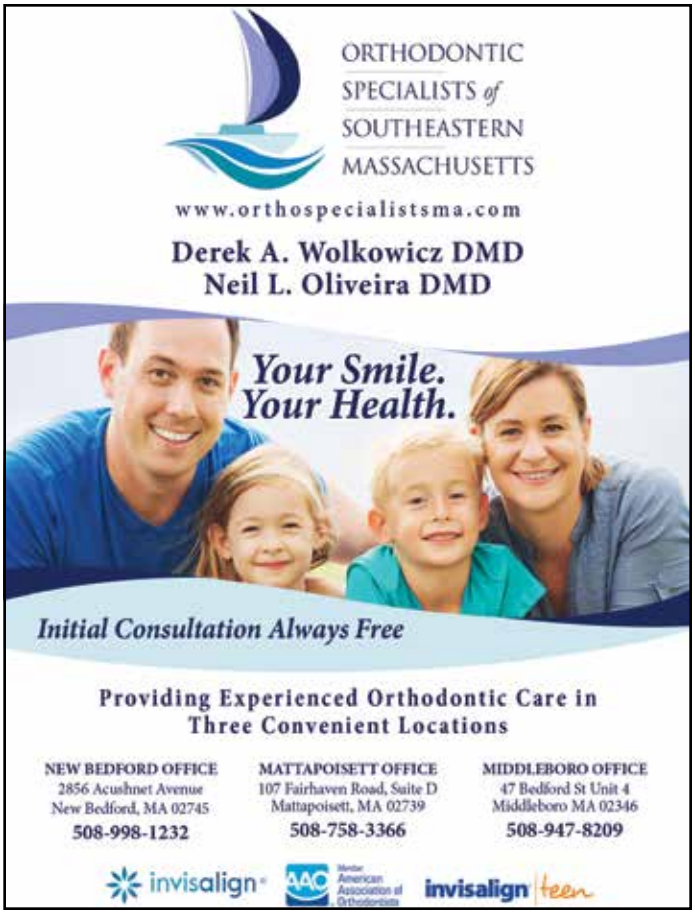
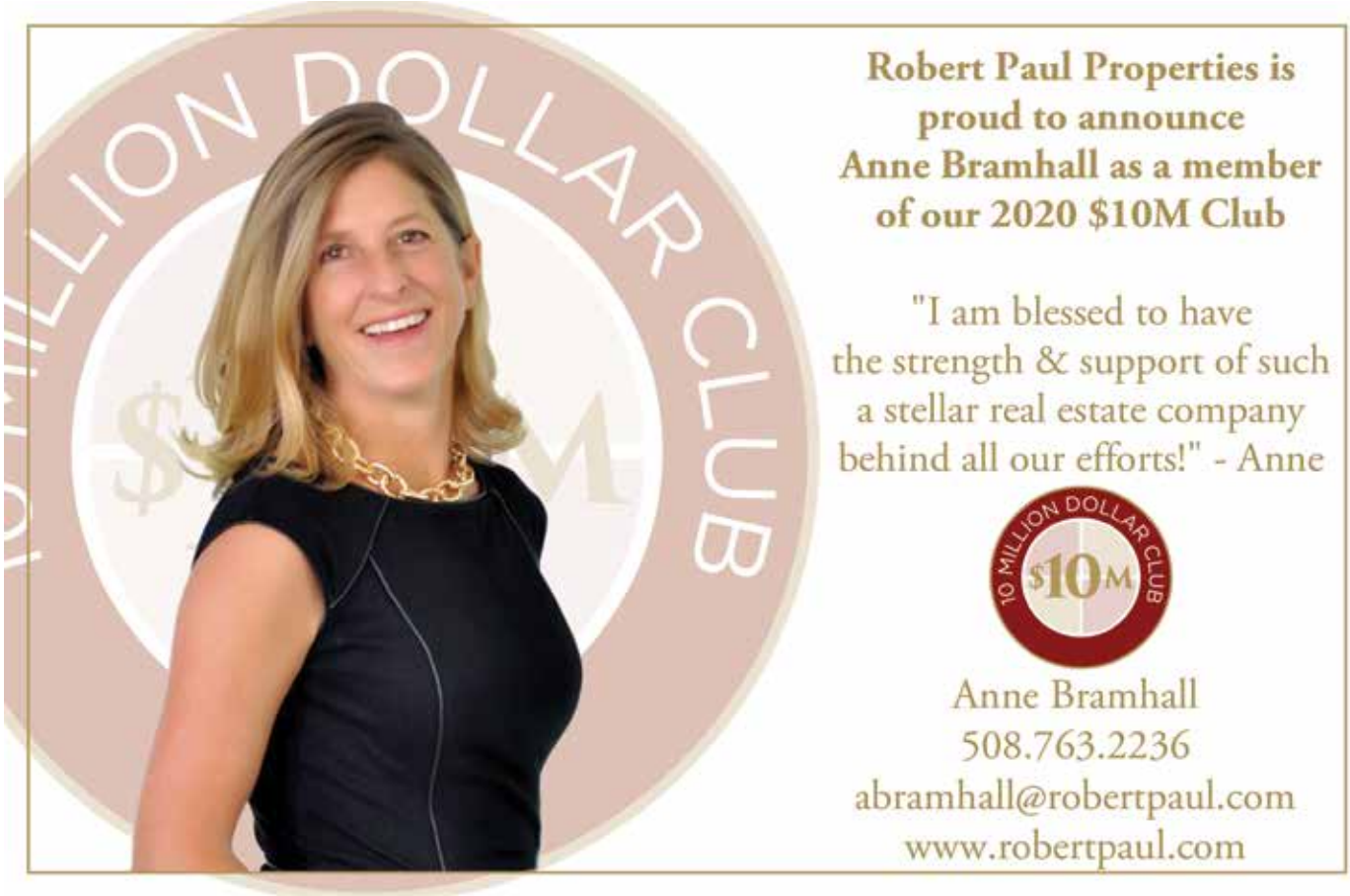
Morse had said during the December 30 meeting that Benson Brook "will be up and running as soon as they can get some electrical stuff done."

Szyndlar said Benson Brook stickers are available for purchase at Rochester Town Hall.

In the January 4 meeting, Szyndlar publicly thanked Public Health Nurse Connie Dolan. "During this pandemic, she has been extremely beneficial to the townspeople and to our employees. And while I know that's a big part of her job description, I want to thank her really for going above and beyond and helping people navigate through the COVID-19 requirements and the diagnosis.… She's been a big help in the process, so I just





want her to know that we appreciate her dedication to the town. I've heard from residents as well that they have been very happy having her as a resource," said Szyndlar.

Ciaburri echoed Szyndlar's sentiments, noting Dolan's and Health Director Karen Walega's successful efforts in gaining state approval for an emergency dispensing site plan. "It went very smoothly, and in record time-- two days. It should have taken weeks," he said.

In a follow-up, Walega explained that Rochester's emergency-management team met with state representatives seeking approval for a drive-thru COVID-19 vaccine site at the Department of Public Works barn on Ryder Road. State approval was achieved within two days. "That doesn't usually happen. It was an awesome undertaking by all who were involved," said Walega.

In other matters, the selectmen also voted to accept a SEMASS PILOT payment of $327,830.

In her December 30 report, Szyndlar told the selectmen that Plymouth County-administered CARES Act funding was extended to December 31, 2021, noting that while Rochester is "almost fully" expended, the extension provides extra time for the town to process invoices and apply for reimbursements.

Rochester town facilities have a new phone system with upgrades, a new set of prompts, and extensions. Callers must add '1' to any former extension, and it becomes the new one. (i.e. Extension 12 becomes 112). Callers to the Town Hall and Annex buildings will now be prompted to choose by department rather than name.

"It allows us to answer our phones from anywhere now," said Szyndlar.

The selectmen held an executive session on January 4 to discuss contract negotiations with town vendors and contract strategy for negotiations with non-union personnel.

The Rochester Board of Selectmen's next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, at 6:00 pm.

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Marion to Vaccinate Local First Responders

Marion Board of Health

By Jean Perry

Marion Public Health Nurse Lori Desmarais told the Marion Board of Health on January 5 that COVID-19 vaccination clinics will begin inoculating local first responders from Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and Wareham as soon as next week.

According to Board of Health Chairman Dr. Edward Hoffer, Marion received 400 doses of the vaccine, which was the number of doses the town had requested. About 385 have signed up to receive the vaccine, he said. "So we should have at least adequate to cover the people who show up," said Hoffer.

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Board of Health member John Howard said he has already gotten vaccinated in Hyannis, and about 80 percent of the people who signed up for the vaccine clinic showed up. He called it a "pretty good turnout."

Desmarais said there are 36 active COVID-19 cases in Marion for a total of 207 since the start of the pandemic.

"Marion did see the surge that we talked about … after the holidays," said Desmarais. The majority of the cases are people in the community, and she is actively following them as they recover.

At Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, Desmarais reported that there are currently four individuals in quarantine awaiting test results with three positive cases in isolation. So far, there have been 12 cases.

There are 20 in quarantine at the high school, eight confirmed cases in isolation, with a total of 36 confirmed cases so far.

At Sippican School, nine are in quarantine, and two confirmed cases in isolation. Sippican has had 14 confirmed cases so far.

Tabor Academy has delayed students' return to campus tentatively until the end of January. Classes were scheduled to begin on February 2, Desmarais said, but the school will continue to follow the status of the pandemic before deciding to bring students back.

Over at Sippican Healthcare Center, the nursing home held its first COVID-19 vaccination clinic on December 30.

"That went well," Desmarais commented, adding that there are currently two confirmed cases of the coronavirus linked to the nursing home; however, it has been eight days since any new confirmed cases.

Health Agent David Flaherty reported that his 20 recent COVID-compliance inspections of local establishments had gone well; however, Cumberland Farms on Route 6 has had to temporarily close after one employee tested positive. Flaherty said the store would be deep-cleaned and disinfected, and employees will return to work as they test negative for the virus.

Overall, though, Flaherty reported that there had been very few complaints in general, except for some complaints about individuals not wearing masks as required. There were several complaints about Little Neck Village residents failing to don face coverings, and Flaherty said he has been in contact with management, who has addressed the situation.

In other matters, the board was pleased to hear Flaherty's report on progress at 464 Front Street, which

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had been cited for safety and sanitation violations. He toured the house with the property owner and commented, "It looks like they've done a very good job," adding that building permits had been issued as required. "The outside looks pretty good … 90 percent better than it was before."

Over at 33 Pitcher Street, the situation has not improved after several failed attempts to serve the property owner with notice of the safety and sanitary violations at that site.

"It's pretty bad over there," said Flaherty, although the house is mostly hidden from view. The building has collapsed, he said, and no one appears to be inhabiting the house at this time.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, at 4:00 pm.

Pragmatism, Safety Collide with Tree Advocacy

Mattapoisett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

Being a tree warden is no small task. The average tree warden must possess a spectrum of skills, like maintaining public tree inventories, interfacing with the public and town government, and performing physical labor such as pruning, planting, and cutting down trees.

Since 1899, according to the Massachusetts Tree Warden and Foresters Association, Massachusetts General Law has mandated that all the Commonwealth's cities and towns employ a tree warden (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 1 and 106). As noted, the scope of responsibilities is fairly wide-ranging; however, to summarize, the job requires that the tree warden fill the role of both manager and advocate protecting trees where necessary or protecting the public from dangerous trees.

While Mattapoisett Tree Warden Roland Cote can present findings on trees suspected of being a danger to the townspeople, he first needs to obtain the Planning Board's permission to remove them.

On January 4, during two hearings held by the Planning Board, Cote advocated for the removal of two trees growing along scenic highways. His assumptions were met with some pushback.

The first tree discussed is located at 9 Ship Street on a corner lot where an ash tree is situated on the Beacon Street side of the intersection. Homeowner Jim Parker had previously sought to have the tree removed from town property due to its proximity to his driveway. The 2013 effort failed when brought before the Planning Board. This time Parker was armed with two letters, one from well-known local arborist David Mendell and the second from local landscaper Charles Dupont. Both held that the tree had become structurally unsound due to a cavity in the tree known as a split crotch.

Mattapoisett Tree Committee member Sandra Hering spoke in favor of saving the tree, saying it was

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one of a declining number of ash trees still growing in the U.S. and that so far, the tree did not exhibit any insect or disease issues, including the presence of the dreaded emerald ash borer. Noting that, if and when new sidewalks are constructed along the designated scenic way, "We are going to lose more trees, creating further loss to the canopy." After some discussion, the majority of the Planning Board agreed the tree should be removed.

An oak tree located at 177 North Street came up next for the chopping block, but not before Hering expressed that a hollow sound Cote found upon tapping the tree trunk did not constitute disease. Furthermore, she said, removing one of the oaks that forms a cluster could weaken the remaining trees. She advocated for leaving the tree(s) in place.

The property owner, Ellen Schneider, stated that the tree(s) in question created a blind spot when she and her family exited their driveway; thus, the tree(s) was a safety matter. Cote sided with Schneider, and subsequently, the board members by a majority, once again not by unanimous decision, voted to have the cluster removed, not the singular tree.

Member Nathan Ketchel inquired about whether or not trees were being planted to replace those the board had approved for removal. It was noted that neither the Tree Committee nor the tree warden has a budget that can support the purchasing of trees. Ketchel wondered aloud about other funding sources. Member Karen Field said she would broach the matter at the Community Preservation Committee's next meeting.

A subdivision site plan review hearing for property located at 0 Randall Road, owned by Stephen Randon, was ultimately continued until March 1 when it was ascertained that only a few of the 26 abutters had actually received notification of the public hearing. Representing G.A.F. Engineering, Bill Madden laid out several waivers his client would be seeking. Those included but were not limited to a reduction in private roadway width, use of crushed gravel, no 4-foot utility strips, no sidewalks, and a hammerhead configuration for vehicle turnarounds.

Continued to February 1 without being reopened were Randall Solar, LLC for a solar array on Randall Lane, Park Lane extension subdivision, and Selha Way site plan modification.

The Mattapoisett Planning Board's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, at 7:00 pm.

Campus Center Would Replace Hayden Library

Marion Planning Board

By Mick Colageo

The Marion Planning Board opened a public hearing on January 4 to hold a Major Site Plan Review for Tabor Academy's proposed Campus Center at 85 Spring Street, the site of the Hayden Library.

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Julie Salit, Tabor's interim head of school, said the new campus center would accommodate day and boarding students who need to take a break in a comfortable space. Salit described a library and resources on the second floor with social and office space on the first floor earmarked toward diversity and inclusion.

"We're reworking the spaces into what will ... better suit the programs that we have up and running," said Salit.

Bob Field of Field Engineering pointed out a new water-quality structure at the last catch basin, so all roof runoff will be treated before its release into the town's sewer system. Field said there will be a slight increase in pervious surface area, but a recharge method will help compensate.

Planning Board Vice Chairman Andrew Daniel presided over the entire meeting, including the public hearing, while Chairman Will Saltonstall sat out under the conflict of interest rule as lead architect for the project. Saltonstall Architects was represented at the Zoom meeting by Tristan deBarros and C. Jay Wilbur.

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Daniel told meeting attendees that the Planning Board has contracted SITEC Engineering & Environmental Consultants, Inc. for its own site plan review, including a stormwater management report, but that it is too early in the process for feedback.

Board members Norm Hills and Eileen Marum posed respective questions as to rainfall data source and maintenance. Marum pointed out a discrepancy in Field's report between the number of times annually that all paved surfaces will be swept for water quality. According to Marum's review, page 5 (1.7) of the report said twice, while Appendix B No. 10 indicated once.

Field said he would get Hills the information he wants and that the report will correct the maintenance

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schedule to an agreeable frequency. Field also said plans can be modified to accommodate the Marion Department of Public Works' request that the new sewer surface not be constructed below the recharge area.

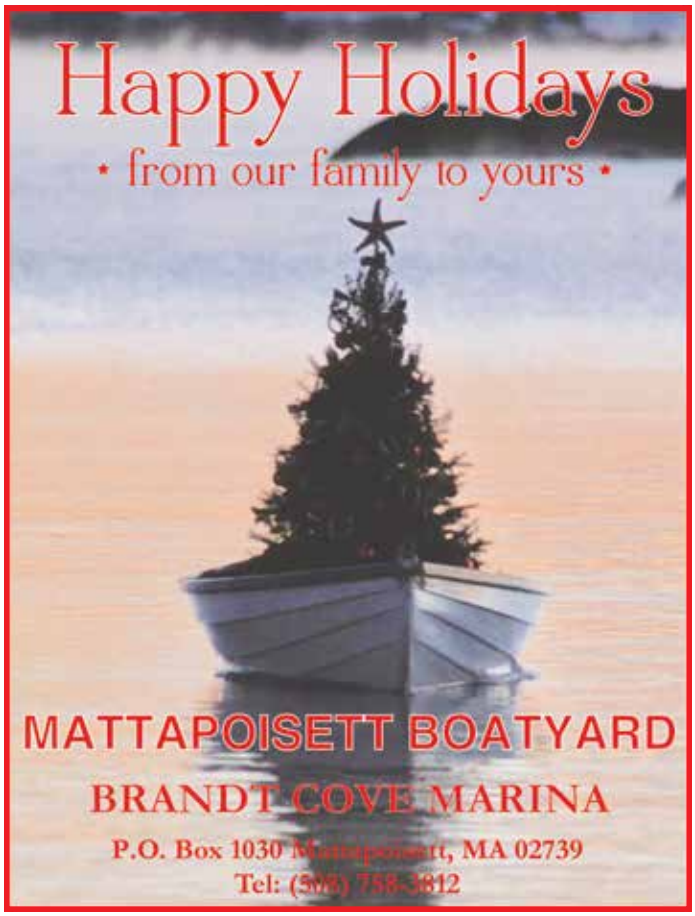
The topic that dominated the December pre-submission conference was Spring Street traffic, as board member Chris Collings had sought measures that would utilize the new construction as an opportunity to address the traffic snarls that occur at times in that area.

Field came to the January 4 public hearing with a project memo addressing the subject with acknowledgment of spikes in traffic when Tabor hosts events. Marum, who publicly thanked Field for clarifying the parking issue, and board member Joe Rocha had seen the memo that was included in their packets; Hills did not, and Collings was also in the dark, having accessed the meeting late while commuting back from Maine.

"I look at the project as an opportunity for them to address some of the long-standing traffic issues," said Collings. "We need to take these opportunities to incorporate ... for everyone [and] put less pressure on the town overall."

Marum took the opportunity to update Collings on the progress, and Collings was pleased to hear it. Daniel said the topic would receive more thorough treatment when all members have read Field's project memo.

Other questions from the board included the new building's height, which is 34 feet, 11 inches maximum from street level, an inch below the 35-foot maximum allowed in Marion. When public comment was invited, Heather Burke, 68 Front Street, sought clarification, and



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Daniel explained that while the tower at the center of Hayden Library rivals the height of the proposed campus center, more of the new structure is designed to that height.

Noting that by the year 2030 all new construction will have to be built to a net-zero energy consumption standard, Marum asked if the campus center is a net-zero building. The answer was no, but Wilbur said Tabor is exploring solar power.

"Tabor purchases energy credits from sustainable energy factories.... Tabor committed to reducing carbon footprint as much as possible," he said.

Hills noted the absence of a librarian's office in the plans. Salit said Tabor's librarians plan to use circulation desk space as their office.

Plans to relocate Tabor's library on an interim basis are not finalized, Salit said, but the school has determined that it has space on campus to accommodate classes currently held in the Hayden Library. A space inventory is ongoing. The hearing was continued to January 19.

Town Planner Gil Hilario told the board he will get a progress report on the town's peer review and, if necessary, postpone the board's next meeting scheduled for January 19 at 7:00 pm.

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any day of the week without a reservation. Please be mindful if boardwalk is temporarily closed for those visitors requesting one of the abovementioned special appointments.

Sippican Lands Trust introduced its popular reservation system on June 4 to keep visitors safe during the pandemic and has modified the reservation system over the past few months to safely accommodate visitors at Osprey Marsh.

SLT's Osprey Marsh is located on Point Road in Marion. The accessible boardwalk project builds on the generous donation by members of the Smoyer/Howland family of the 20-acre Osprey Marsh property of forest and marshland on Planting Island Cove. The project has

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been designed to minimize environmental impact and to maximize accessibility for infants in strollers, older adults, and persons with mobility impairments, including those in wheelchairs. The accessible boardwalk starts at the Osprey Marsh parking area and passes through maritime forest, wetlands, and fragile salt marsh habitat to a viewing platform overlooking Planting Island Cove.

Numerous SLT donors, members, and friends have stepped up to support this project, including a $38,000 grant from the Town of Marion's Community Preservation Commission for project design and permitting. The boardwalk was designed by Peter Jensen and built by local contractors, W.S. Bradford and Sherman Briggs.

Sippican Lands Trust continues to seek donations from the public to support the long-term maintenance of this boardwalk. More information about the project and how to support it can be found at sippicanlandstrust.org/2017/10/osprey-marsh-boardwalk-project/.

Rochester Historical Society Looks Forward

Happy New Year to all! With your help, the Rochester Historical Society has survived into 2021. While the museum is essentially closed, we are open by appointment for shopping. We are always here to answer questions about Rochester history (eshbach2@aol.com or sasha@comcast.net), and we are working toward hopefully offering programs in the spring. At that time, if issues with the pandemic have improved, we will be presenting "A Curator's Show: Treasures from the Past." This exhibit is made possible by the support of the Rochester Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. We'll continue to provide updates on the availability of the museum and its programs.

Mattapoisett Master Plan

On Wednesday, December 9, the Mattapoisett Master Plan Committee (MMPC) met for the first time via Zoom. The role of the MMPC is to work with the Planning Board to guide the project by identifying local goals and priorities, to comment on and to influence work that the project team creates, and to be optimistic "local champions" for the Master Plan and its future implementation.

The volunteer members of the MMPC have diverse backgrounds, experiences, and connections to the local community. All members were recently sworn-in by town leadership, enabling the first meeting to formally begin their role in Master Plan process. Below is the complete list of MMPC members: Robert Burgman, Shirley Haley, Colby Rottler, Carole Clifford, Kate Haley, Cecile Sanders, Kate Connelly, David Horowitz, Donna Shea, Paul Criscuolo, Nate Ketchel, Aaron Smith, Mary Dermody, Robin LePore, Tom Tucker, Carlos DeSousa, Janice Robbins, Chrystal Walsh, Yasmin Flefleh-Vincent, and Mike Rosa.

The Mattapoisett Master Plan kicked off to resounding support from the community with the "Discovery" Workshop. This event, which took place online over two weeks beginning in late August, was the first of many opportunities for the project team to hear directly from the community. The event also served as a means to introduce Master Planning ideas and concepts to Mattapoisett residents. As the Master Plan looks toward Workshop #2, which will begin with a Zoom event at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, **February 24**, the project team will consult with the MMPC to consider new ways of reaching out to residents, developing workshop activities, and ensuring that the Mattapoisett Master Plan reflects

community needs and aspirations.

For more information about the Mattapoisett Master Plan Committee and upcoming events, visit the project website www.srpedd.org/Mattapoisett-Master-Plan and follow the Facebook page or Instagram.

Story Time at Plumb Library

If you would like to participate in Plumb Library's Zoom Storytime, please register on the Plumb Library event calendar by **January 20**. The Event Calendar is found on the library's website www.plumblibrary.com.

The combined Winter/Spring session will begin the first week of February and will end the last week of April.

Once the class is confirmed, the Zoom link, which is to be used each week, will be emailed to registrants. A minimum of three registrants is required for story times to proceed.

All story times are based on the "Every Child Ready to Read" program, which focuses on the important pre-reading skills children need to be able to learn to read and write— talking, singing, reading, writing, playing, and now counting! For more info on Every Child Ready to Read, go to everychildreadytoread.org/. All story times will include early literacy fun with books, letters, numbers, songs, finger plays, music, movement, and fun virtual interactions with Ms. Lisa and story time friends!

The story time schedule is as follows:

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Baby and Toddler (ages 9-24 months) Storytime, Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am. This is a lap-sit program. Caregivers are required to attend and participate with their littles.

Preschool (ages 3-5) Storytime, Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am OR Thursdays, 1:30-2:30 pm. Caregivers should be close by to help their child participate as needed.

Twos and Threes Together Storytime, Fridays, 10:30-11:30 am. This is a partial lap-sit program for children aged 2 – 3 years old, meaning some children may still need lap support and others may not! However, even if a child is ready to sit on their own, caregiver support is still required.

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Marion Scholarship

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Applicants must live in Marion, be in good academic standing, and accepted at a recognized college for the fall of 2021.

Application requirements and deadline information can be obtained through the college counseling office at your high school.

Anyone who would like to contribute to these and to future scholarships can send your donation to The Marion Scholarship and Education Committee, Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738.

Mattapoisett Library STEAM Projects To-Go

STEAM Projects To-Go brings a new project for January! STEAM Projects To-Go are created for busy teens grades 6 to 12 who still want to engage with library programming and their community. This month's project will explore matter— anything that has mass and takes up space (or has volume). The project will be to fish for ice using ice, string, and salt. Further, it will inspire teens to take it one step further with a list of extension projects.

Each Steam Project To-Go includes supplies needed for the project, instructions, information about the theme, a library book related to the theme, and ideas for more projects. If you are interested in getting a STEAM to go project, register at the library's website, mattapoisettlibrary.org, on the calendar, or by calling the library. Once you have registered, you will be contacted to arrange pickup (library card required). If there are no spots left, please register for the waiting list.

Please contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org or call the library for more information. All programs are free and open to the public.

Season of Giving for Church on the Rochester Green

By Nancy Sutcliffe

This holiday season, the spirit of giving was alive at First Congregational Church of Rochester.

For many families, COVID-19 has taken away jobs and food from dinner tables. We have seen on the news the long lines of cars waiting to have food placed in trunks and we may think to ourselves, "I'm so glad this hasn't happened to my family, someone I know, or to families in my little town." Well, it has happened to our local towns, and probably even to someone you know.

For eight Sundays prior to Thanksgiving, the members of First Congregational Church of Rochester donated a specific food item to help fill thankful baskets

for local families in need. Each week, the food bin overflowed with donations of the designated weekly item. Food from the weekly list was also collected by Friend's Market of Rochester and distributed via the church. Thirty-five thankful baskets, along with biscuits, potatoes, and onions, went out to senior citizens when they received their annual turkeys and butternut squash from the Council on Aging. In addition to thankful baskets, nine families at ORRHS, three families from a daycare center, and seven local families also received gifts cards so they could buy a turkey, baked goods, and other items they needed.

With a lot of volunteers and a little creative thinking due to COVID-19 guidelines, 256 shoeboxes were packed for Operation Christmas Child this year. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide,

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Sunday 12noon-8pm	Sunday 12noon-9pm	Sunday 12noon-9pm	Sunday 12noon-9:30pm

Local Cable Programming

ORCTV

Check www.orctv.org for the latest updates to the schedule.

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Comcast Channel 9
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Thursday January 7, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Schvitz'n with Norm
9:30 AM Recovery Fitness
10:00 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Health Source
11:35 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
3:30 PM This is America & The World
4:00 PM Off the Shelf
4:30 PM The Chico and Bman Show
5:00 PM The Non-Profit World
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:01 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
7:00 PM Arts Alive
7:30 PM Registers Report
8:00 PM The Kamla Show
8:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
9:30 PM Science 360
10:30 PM Money Matters TV
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday January 8, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Health Source
9:00 AM Recovery Fitness
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:34 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
3:00 PM Arts Alive
3:30 PM In the Toy Box
4:00 PM The Chundria Show
4:30 PM This is America & The World
5:00 PM The World Fusion Show
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:01 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Registers Report
7:01 PM Science 360
7:30 PM The Chico and Bman Show
8:00 PM The Kamla Show
8:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
9:00 PM Gay USA
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday January 9, 2021
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoons
9:00 AM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
9:31 AM Health Source
10:00 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Southcoast Matters TV
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
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5:00 PM The Chico and Bman Show
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6:01 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Arts Alive
7:00 PM The Non-Profit World
7:30 PM The World Fusion Show
8:00 PM Registers Report
8:31 PM Let's Talk Business
9:00 PM Gay USA
10:00 PM Money Matters TV
10:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday January 10, 2021
6:00 AM Veterans Voice
7:30 AM The Art of Being Human
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
8:30 AM Health Source
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:34 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM The Chundria Show
3:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
3:30 PM This is America & The World
4:30 PM The Kamla Show
5:00 PM A Cranberry Harvest
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:01 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM In the Toy Box
7:30 PM Science 360
8:30 PM Off the Shelf
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Monday January 11, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM Health Source
8:30 AM Health Talk
9:00 AM Rochester COA Senior Medicare Patrol
9:31 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:34 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM The Chundria Show
3:00 PM Learning Music with Pat
3:30 PM Two Grannies on the Road
4:00 PM The Non-Profit World
4:30 PM A Conversation With...
5:00 PM The Chico and Bman Show
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:01 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Money Matters TV
7:00 PM Arts Alive
7:30 PM Off the Shelf
8:00 PM This is America & The World
9:00 PM Sound Off
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday January 12, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Recovery Fitness
9:30 AM Health Talk
10:00 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:34 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM The Chundria Show
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
4:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
4:30 PM COA Senior Medicare Patrol
5:15 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM This is America & The World
7:30 PM Money Matters TV
8:00 PM The Kamla Show
9:00 PM Science 360
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday January 13, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Recovery Fitness
9:30 AM Health Source
10:05 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
11:30 AM The Art of Being Human
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Grumpy Old Men Cooking
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Chundria Show
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Southcoast Ringers 2020
3:00 PM A Cranberry Harvest
3:30 PM A Conversation With...
4:00 PM The World Fusion Show
4:30 PM COA Senior Medicare Patrol
5:15 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Arts Alive
7:00 PM Science 360
7:30 PM Registers Report
8:01 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
9:00 PM Gay USA
10:00 PM Suicide Prevention in Massachusetts
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Planning Board - December 21, 2020
8:05 AM Marion Finance Committee - December 16, 2020
8:44 AM Marion Board of Selectman - December 15, 2020
10:30 AM ORR School Committee - December 9, 2020
2:15 PM Marion Conservation Commission - December 23, 2020
4:02 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - December 10, 2020
5:30 PM Marion Planning Board - December 21, 2020
6:35 PM Marion Finance Committee - December 16, 2020
7:14 PM Marion Board of Selectman - December 15, 2020
9:00 PM ORR School Committee - December 9, 2020

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectman - December 21, 2020
7:38 AM ORR School Committee - December 9, 2020
11:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission - December 15, 2020
1:33 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - December 10, 2020
2:30 PM Rochester Planning Board - December 9, 2020
4:00 PM Rochester School Committee - December 3, 2020
5:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - December 21, 2020
6:08 PM ORR School Committee - December 9, 2020
10:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - December 15, 2020

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:32 AM OCTV
7:38 AM 2019 Elementary Schools Winter Events
8:00 AM Marion Natural History Museum - Cranberries
9:03 AM Marion Art Center Presents - Jackson Gillman
10:00 AM Sippican Holiday Wishes
10:30 AM On-Stage Christmas Show 2020
11:00 AM Sippican Historical Society - Hurricane
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:32 PM OCTV
12:38 PM Sippican Historical Society - Joan Thacher Tiffany
1:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Cranberries
2:33 PM Sippican Holiday Wishes
3:03 PM Marion Art Center Presents - Jackson Gillman
4:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Marion's Archaeological Heritage
5:30 PM On-Stage Christmas Show 2020
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:32 PM OCTV
6:38 PM Sippican Historical Society - Joan Thacher Tiffany
7:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Cranberries
8:33 PM Marion Art Center Presents - Jackson Gillman
9:30 PM Sippican Holiday Wishes
10:00 PM On-Stage Christmas Show 2020
10:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Marion's Archaeological Heritage

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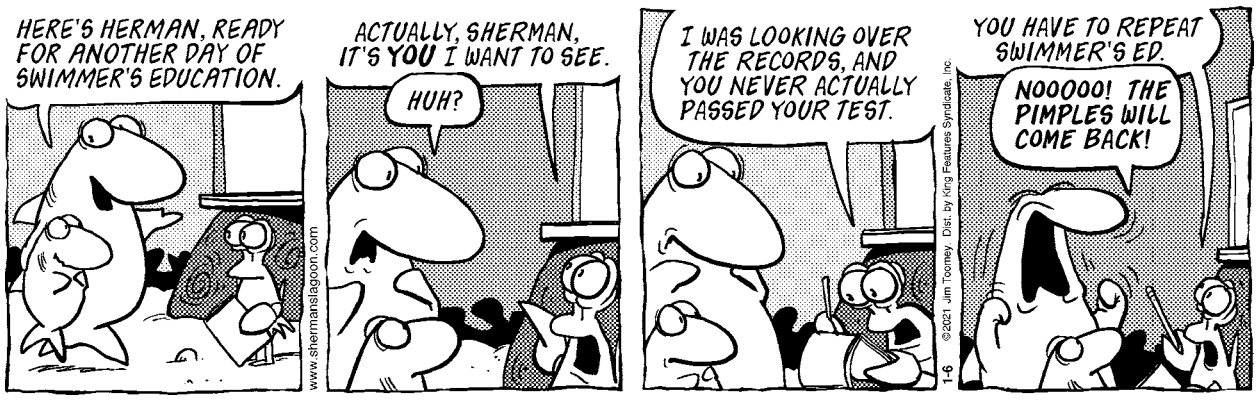
SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey



to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. This whole process was made possible by caring individuals who packed shoeboxes full of quality gifts for children in need both nationally and internationally. Local scout groups, church members, the church's ATOMIC youth group, and the Friends of Plumb Library all helped to fill the boxes. Operation Christmas Child may have looked different this year, but the joy on the faces of those who received our Christmas boxes was the same as in past years!

Keeping with the Christmas spirit this year, First Congregational Church of Rochester provided bell ringers for the Salvation Army at the JC Penney in Wareham Crossing on three Saturdays from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Members of the church also filled 110 Blessing Bags for the homeless. A Blessing Bag contains items that are useful to those who might be experiencing homelessness or are otherwise struggling. The Missions Committee provided a gallon-size Ziploc bag containing the following items: a toothbrush, toothpaste, a comb, soap in a container, and a "suggested list" of items church members could purchase to round out the contents of the bag. A Christmas or note card with a Bible verse completed the bag. The bags were then distributed through Mobile Ministries of New Bedford, a social outreach ministry for the homeless and indigent working poor. Being able to share a Blessing Bag with someone allows for a human connection to be made and a sense of dignity to be preserved.

The church's Tri-Town Schools Care Team was also busy over the holiday season partnering with the Rochester Council on Aging and the Rochester Lions Club in adopting two children from the town employees' annual Christmas Angel project. Members of the congregation generously sponsored a 13-year-old girl and 6-year-old boy and provided them with Christmas gifts of clothing and toys.

From filling thankful baskets for Thanksgiving and shoeboxes with Christmas gifts for children, to ringing the bell for the Salvation Army, being Christmas angels to children of two local families, and filling Blessing Bags for the homeless, it truly was a season of giving for members of First Congregational Church of Rochester who gave generously of their time and donations.

Sippican Historical Society

Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society commissioned an architectural survey of Marion's historic homes and buildings. Over 100 were cataloged and photographed. SHS will feature one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about its unique historical architecture.

Stonycroft at 14 West Drive exemplifies the shingle style at its most picturesque. It was designed by the architectural firm of Coolidge and Carlson and built in 1895 for Brookline resident A.W. Bliss, whose leather business was located in the heart of Boston's leather district. Its landscaping complements an architectural design that delicately balances rustic and formal qualities. Exterior and interior photographs of the Bliss House appeared in the October 29, 1919 edition of "The American Architect," showing Craftsman-

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OBITUARIES

Linda Taylor, 74, of West Wareham, passed away on Thursday December 17, 2020 at Tobey Hospital. Linda was the loving partner and companion of 47 years to Judy Greenlaw also of West Wareham. She was born in Wareham the daughter of the late Joseph and Mildred (Angell) Taylor.

She earned her Master's Degree from Boston University. She taught physical education at Wareham High School for 12 years and developed the Girls Field Hockey program and was the Girls Varsity Basketball Coach. She also taught in the Old Rochester School District, Upper Cape Cod Technical Regional High School and was a coach at UMass Dartmouth. She later worked as a Social Worker at the New Bedford Crisis Center. She also enjoyed Tennis and was a semi-pro Basketball player. A strong supporter of Title IX, giving women athletes the right to equal opportunity in sports in educational institutions. Linda and Judy owned and operated the Siberian Husky Kennel of Wareham and Bridgewater. They raised, raced and showed their dogs winning a National Specialty award. They had many favorite dogs and pets over the years but most recently it is Jasper and Zoe.

Linda is survived by her partner Judy Greenlaw and many loving relatives, friends and colleagues. She was the sister of the late Kathleen "KT" Taylor, Richard "Dicky" Taylor and Donnie Taylor.

Memorial gifts may be made to Champs Shelter Wareham 1057 Main Street, West Wareham MA 02576.

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Funeral services will be held at a later date. To leave a message of condolence please visit www.warehamvillagefuneralhome.com Funeral arrangements are in the care of Wareham Village Funeral Home 5 Center Street Wareham, MA 02571.

Joan C. (LaFreniere) Chandler, 85, of Attleboro died December 26, 2020 after a period of declining health at Sturdy Memorial Hospital.

Born in Boston, daughter of the late Joseph and Catherine (Blaney) LaFreniere, she was raised in Jamaica Plain and later lived in St. Petersburg, FL and Orlando, FL before moving to Attleboro.

She was formerly employed by Polaroid, waitressed in restaurants, Texas Instruments and later was a CNA until her retirement.

She was a kind hearted, generous, proud, independent woman who had a good sense of humor and was a friend to everyone she met.

She was a proud volunteer in life starting with the USO at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fl, the Literacy Center in Attleboro, cooking at the Attleboro Senior Center Meals Program, and Meals On Wheels at the LaSalette Shrine.

Survivors include her devoted son, James Chandler and his fiancée Diana Skidmore of Marion; a brother, Leo LaFreniere and his wife Carole of Wareham; 4 sisters, Marie Billard of Buzzards Bay, Patricia Kalish and her husband Larry of Weymouth, Linda Curley and Dorothy Berry and her husband Kenny, all of Hanover; 3 grandchildren, Kyla Chandler, Danni Stowell and Leah Peak; a great-granddaughter, Harper Rose Peak; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was the sister of the late Joseph LaFreniere, Anne Semple, Rita Bennett and Renee Hiers and the sister-in-law of the late Bruce Billard, Celia LaFreniere, Edward Semple, Gilbert "Buster" Bennett and Arthur Hiers.

Her visiting hours were held on Friday, January 1st, at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. Her Funeral and burial were private for her immediate family. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Donald A. "Dinga" Walton, 87, of Fairhaven passed away Saturday December 19, 2020 after a brief illness. He was the husband of the late Frances P. (Rogers) Walton.

Born in New York, NY, the son of the late Everett and Mary Loretta (Gallant) Walton, he lived in New Bedford and Fairhaven for most of his life.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Parish.

Mr. Walton was formerly employed as an accountant at Revere Copper and Brass until his retirement.

During the Korean War, he honorably served in the U.S. Army.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Walton enjoyed playing golf, was an avid car enthusiast, and was devoted to his family.

He is survived by three children, Catherine O'Brien and her husband Daniel of Mattapoisett, Tina Albano, and Christopher Walton and his wife Dawn, all of Fairhaven; eight grandchildren, Joseph, Mandy, Meghan, Jessica, Alexandra, Peter, Christopher, and Kevin; and nine great-grandchildren, Keira, Logan, Ryder, Ethan, Emmett, Wesley, Veda, Maddox, and Waylon.

He was predeceased by his grandson, James.

His Memorial Mass was celebrated on Saturday, January 2, 2021 at St. Anthony's Church, Mattapoisett. Burial followed in Cushing Cemetery.

Arrangements are by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

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style furniture within. It also showed rustic interiors with low ceilings, exposed timbers, and both stone and brick fireplaces.

Letters to the Editor

The views expressed in the "Letters to the Editor" column are not necessarily those of The Wanderer, its staff or advertisers. The Wanderer will gladly accept any and all correspondence relating to timely and pertinent issues in the great Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester area, provided they include the author's name, address and phone number for verification. We cannot publish anonymous, unsigned or unconfirmed submissions. The Wanderer reserves the right to edit, condense and otherwise alter submissions for purposes of clarity and/or spacing considerations. The Wanderer may choose to not run letters that thank businesses, and The Wanderer has the right to edit letters to omit business names. The Wanderer also reserves the right to deny publication of any submitted correspondence.

To the Editor;

Let's stop spreading incorrect and confusing information about Marion's Sewer issues.

It is puzzling why Mr. Rasmussen's writes at this time; his motive is not clear. His article is unfairly extremely critical of Marion and its management. His comments require clarification so that Marion's residents understand the complete picture. He says:

"Marion's sewer rates are ridiculously high" – Marion's rates are high. We already know that. This is not some concealed fact or startling revelation.

"It's not because the town treats its sewage to a better standard than anyone else. In fact, the opposite has been true" – Mr. Rasmussen choses to ignore the fact that the Marion Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) effluent meets or exceeds the MassDEP and EPA requirements of our operating permit; a comparison is not necessary.

"Marion residents pay more than double the statewide median" – This statement and the initial "ridiculously high" are not helpful.

'The Selectman's current advocacy aiming to secure a $2 million state grant is falling back on some tired political tactics – baseless rejections of science and scapegoating – and does little to set the town on a new course to fiscal responsibility" – Three years ago, we asked Representative Strauss for State help to offset the ratepayer financial burden. He identified an Environmental Bond Bill option for towns on Buzzards Bay with wastewater lagoons. He was successful in getting $2 million included in the approved bill. Marion applied for the grant and was approved; we are still waiting for the State to allocate the money to us. This is the reason for the October 29th letter. The charge of *baseless rejections of science* is insulting and is Mr. Rasmussen politicizing the use of the word, science. I have an engineering education, a career devoted to the design and construction of nuclear submarines, and was a member of the Conservation Commission for 15 years, science has been my whole career.

"We've all learned a lot over the past decade about just how negligent the town has been in its management of the sewer infrastructure….bad decisions and deferred maintenance…" – This characterization is self-serving and baseless. Marion built a whole new wastewater treatment plan in 2005 that included the lagoons as an integral component. It met all federal and state environmental requirements at the time it was built, and has been successfully operated and maintained it ever since. There have been no equipment breakdowns and no unauthorized discharges. Yes, parts of the collection system are 50 years old. Marion is not alone, it is true for most towns in Massachusetts including Wareham, a town that Mr. Rasmussen puts on pedestal for its wastewater management. Marion is making a systematic effort to repair it, primarily through lining pipes in our aging collection system. We have budgeted approximately $200,000 per year for this work and will accelerate this repair work if more funds become available.

"For 49 years now, Marion' sewer plant has held raw sewage in the unlined lagoons prior to treatment" – Raw sewage is diverted to the lagoons only when the incoming flow temporarily exceeds the plant's capacity to microbiologically treat it, which happens only when there is significant rain event increasing infiltration of storm water into the collection system. Subsequently that influent is pumped back into the plant for processing. The waste activated sludge product from Sequencing Batch Reactors is then discharged to Lagoon #1. Raw sewage has not been stored in the lagoons for 49 years.

"Those lagoons leaked through their bottom into the town's groundwater….fact first confirmed in a 2011 study…. that finding was confirmed by the Town's own engineers…" – The 2011 study had many technical errors. It indicated that there might be leakage, it did not confirm leakage. The Town's engineers did an independent water balance study of the data from rain/snow, evaporation, and plant capabilities. Included was an uncertainty analysis of the calculations. The uncertainty could be attributed to rain/snow data measurement accuracies, evaporation estimations, plant pump/motor capacity variations, effluent addition/removal, or lagoon leakage. This is not confirmation of a leak, only indication that a leak could be a contributing factor. The sludge removed from Lagoon #1 was over a foot deep and basically impermeable to liquid transfer; think of peanut butter. Lagoon #3 is

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David T. Gingras, 56, of Mattapoisett passed away peacefully at home on December 30, 2020.

A lifelong resident of Mattapoisett, he was the son of the late Robert A. and Elizabeth M. (Beehan) Gingras. He was a graduate of Bishop Stang High School.

He enjoyed music, beekeeping, boating, aviation, and history. His quick wit and knowledge on various subjects will be truly missed.

Survivors include his 2 sons, Cody and Seth Oliveira-Gingras, both of Dartmouth; 2 brothers, Paul Gingras and Robert A. Gingras, Jr., and his partner Kirsten Taylor, all of Mattapoisett; 2 sisters, Carol Lawrence and her husband David of Mattapoisett and Elizabeth Gingras of Rochester; several nieces and nephews, and his great niece.

Due to the current restrictions on public gatherings, his Funeral Mass and burial will be private for immediate family. Arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made to the Mattapoisett Police Department P.O. Box 436 Mattapoisett, MA 02739. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Arthur Seifert, age 91 of Marion, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, January 2, 2021 surrounded by his loving family. He was the husband of Rose (Mesquita) Seifert to whom he had been married for 61 years.

Born in New Bedford, the son of the late John and Martha (Geier) Seifert, he was a graduate of New Bedford Vocation Technical High School.

Mr. Seifert was employed with the former John I. Paulding Inc. as a tool and die maker for over 40 years until its closing. He was a United States Army Veteran who enjoyed woodworking and sailing.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Seifert is survived by his son Kurt and his wife Cynthia of Marion and her two children Jeffrey and Andrew Butrick. He was the brother of the late Alice Seifert.

His Funeral Service will be held on Friday, January 8, 2021 at 10:30 am in the Rock Funeral Home 1285 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford. Burial will follow in Pine Grove Cemetery, New Bedford. Visiting hours will be Thursday from 2 to 4 pm. For directions and online tributes, please visit: www.rock-funeralhome.com

Travis W. Hannack, 46, of Rochester, passed away Saturday, January 2, 2021 unexpectedly at home. He was the husband of Melanie B. (Correia) Hannack.

Born in Baldwin, WI, son of Jack and Bonnie (Sebion) Hannack, he lived in the New Bedford area since 2008.

Travis had been employed for over 10 years as a Clinical Specialist in the field of Urology.

He was a member of the Greater New Bedford Track Club.

Travis enjoyed running and had completed several marathons.

He is survived by his wife, Melanie; his parents, Jack and Bonnie of Spring Valley, WI; two sons, Oliver and Sebastian; two brothers, Aaron Hannack and his wife Becky and Jayden Hannack and his wife Casey; and several nieces and nephews, all of Spring Valley, WI.

No funeral services are scheduled at this time. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Carol A. Norman, of Centerville, passed away peacefully at the McCarthy Care Hospice Center in Sandwich on Christmas Morning 2020.

Carol was the daughter of Dorris and Walter Longmore and grew up in Mattapoisett where she made life-long friends. She attended the Fairhaven Unitarian Church and sang in the children's choir that her mother directed. It was a musical family and Carol played the trumpet, piano and sang in choirs and musical groups throughout her life. Carol met her future husband, Richard "Dick" Norman, at the Mattapoisett Public Beach when she was 14 and Dick was 15. They were an "item" from then on. They both attended Fairhaven High School where they played in the marching band. Carol and Dick both graduated from UMass Amherst where Carol joined the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She remained close until her death with several of her sorority sisters and their families. Carol and Dick married on September 11, 1954 during a hurricane (they celebrated their 66th Wedding Anniversary this past September). They had five children in quick succession. Carol and Dick brought their family to live next to Walter and Dorris on Point Connett in Mattapoisett in 1957. Summers were filled with beaching, boating and visits from their friends and their ever-growing families. Winters included rooting for the Old Rochester Regional High School basketball team that Dick coached.

In 1966, when Dick became Barnstable Athletic Coordinator they moved to the house in Centerville where they would live for the next 52 years. For her friends and family, she served as her generation's version of social media. If anyone wanted to share news or information, they called Carol and word spread. Her family was very proud of her many accomplishments, her contributions that reached around the world. Carol was instrumental in starting American Field Service (AFS) on the Cape and bringing exchange students from all over the globe to live with Cape families for a year and local students to study abroad. She worked with hundreds over the years and stayed in touch with many. Her grandchildren are particularly grateful that for them, she

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partially in the Aucoot Cove watershed, it is the least frequently used and never for raw sewerage. Engineers estimate it would take 50 years for any leaking effluent to reach Aucoot Cove. Claiming that the lagoons have been polluting Marion water bodies for their whole existence does not make it true.

"toxic sewage sludge….lot of toxic contamination sitting in town….sludge holds the accumulated stock of all of the contamination…" – Toxic sludge originates from industrial processes, only 1% Marion's tax base is industrial. We simply to not have the potential for a *"lot of toxic contamination*" in the sewage sludge. In fact, sludge from Lagoon #1 was chemically analyzed to determine the disposal method, the analysis revealed that the sludge is non-toxic.

"Let's be clear, the costs that Marion is facing right now to properly dispose of their sludge is not a new expense and Marion is not being treated unfairly" – Let's be clear, there is no environmental requirement to periodically dispose of sludge. This is new, never required before the BBC interference.

"…the town has no one to blame other than their own engineers (for misjudging the amount of sludge)…" – True. After the fact an independent expert noted that in his experience the amount of sludge is generally underestimated. The fact the amount of sludge was initially underestimated does not change the final cost for removing it.

"Marion is going to continue to go-it-alone and update its sewer infrastructure" – Implied is that Marion should be participating in the Wareham multiple community project. Marion is in fact participating in this ongoing concept exploration, a project that is probably 10 years away at best from having any operational facility. Meanwhile Marion has agreed to MassDEP and EPA compliance requirements that have specific near-term completion dates. Not complying with these can result in crippling fines.

"Why is Marion still having just 1700 rate payers…" – Expanding the number of sewer system ratepayers requires expanding our service areas. Weston & Sampson was hired to prepare a Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan which will identify and prioritize the parts it makes economic sense to extend the sewer to. As part of the contract, Weston &Sampson is required to hold several public hearings to review the report with the public, seek feedback and answer any questions. The preparation is behind schedule due to Covid. Our problem will be finding the money to expand service areas, while containing the burden on the taxpayer.

"Upper Bay Regional Wastewater Plant….provides long-term economies of scale…" – To date Marion is participating in this ongoing concept exploration. The key words are "long-term" as this project is many years away from any final design, construction, and operation. In the meantime, Marion is required to spend millions to upgrade its plant to meet legally imposed completion dates.

"Marion has lot of work ahead of it as it transitions from decades of mismanagement to a town that is both financially and environmentally sustainable" – Accusing Marion of mismanagement without detailed evidence is less than useful and borders on libel.

"The Selectmen should lay off the scapegoating and denial of science…." – Interesting that Mr. Rasmussen multiple times referred to the 2011 study, what it said and how it was used but when Marion talks about it it's scapegoating. Their 2011 study had many technical errors. It is no coincidence that the first draft MassDEP/EPA operating permit reflected the 2011 study.

In summary Mr. Rasmussen's opinion is misleading and unhelpful. If the BBC seriously is concerned about funding the project work, they should make a significant donation to the Town for the project. Every penny we don't have to borrow is money that the ratepayers will not see in their bill.

Norm Hills, Marion

Mr. Hills is a Marion Resident and a Selectman

'Moby-Dick' Marathon Moves Online

"As for me, I am tormented with an everlasting itch for things remote..." – Ishmael, *Moby-Dick*

The best-known literary event centered on Herman Melville's iconic American novel, "Moby-Dick," is moving online in 2021. The New Bedford Whaling Museum's annual Moby-Dick Marathon attracts thousands of people of all ages from around the world who share a fascination with the sweeping story. The 25th anniversary of this remarkable read-a-thon falls in the middle of a pandemic, so organizers have moved the event online. The Moby-Dick Marathon runs from **January 8 – January 10**. Details are at www.whalingmuseum.org.

Every winter, the Whaling Museum's Moby-Dick Marathon marks the anniversary of Melville's January 1841 departure from the Port of New Bedford aboard the whaleship *Acushnet*. Melville would later pen "Moby-Dick," publishing the famous novel in 1851. Although the marathon will be virtual in 2021, Whaling Museum

brought the world to her living room.

Carol was a member of the Unitarian Church of Barnstable. The Church was her second home. She served as Director of Religious Education there for 20 years. She nurtured the growth and spirituality of children and youth in a church school that, at times, numbered over 100 children. She cared deeply about the plight of children and families worldwide and led awareness/fundraising efforts for UNICEF and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. In 1987, Carol, together with a group of UCB women, started the church's women's spirituality group—Womanspirit. She also worked for social justice in her own community, initiating the church's monthly dinner provided to the NOAH Shelter. She coordinated the church's monthly Overnight of Hospitality for men experiencing homelessness. She served on countless other committees and was the first recipient of the "Carol Norman Unsung Hero Award" given annually in her name to a church member who exemplifies selfless service and positive contributions to the church and community.

She loved her husband, her family, her friends, her Church and her church family. She promoted world peace, one family at a time, one relationship at a time in the hope that all would learn that, essentially, people are all the same.

Carol is survived by her husband of 66 years, Richard "Dick" Norman of Centerville; her sister, JoAnn Kelley of Yarmouth Port; her children, Susanne Norman of Brewster, Richard "Rick" Norman of Phoenix, AZ, Marcia (and Michael) Bear of Centerville, Nancy Donohue of Centerville and Andrea (and Terry) Meagher of Centerville. She is survived by her 10 grandchildren: Emma and Ben Vaneria; Elizabeth and Jacob Bear; Grace, Anna and Sheila Meagher; Patrick and Claire Donohue; and Sophie Norman. Carol is also survived by her 3 great-grandchildren—Charlie Mae and Teddy Vaneria and Charlie Hunt. There are many AFSers that are now a part of Carol's family and include Karin of Austria, Donna "Montana", Elina of Italy and Marianne of Denmark.

A celebration of Carol's life will be held when it is safe to gather. Memorial donations may be made to American Field Service International at afs.org or The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee c/o Unitarian Church of Barnstable, P.O. Box 3330, Barnstable, MA 02630

Elizabeth "Betty" Theriault of Mattapoisett, MA passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, January 3rd, surrounded by loved ones. She was the devoted wife of Albert "Bert" Theriault for 61 years, living in the house they had lovingly built over many happy summers at Harbor Beach before moving from Holden, MA to enjoy their retirement year-round in Mattapoisett.

Born to Mary and John Daly on September 28, 1933, she grew up in Wellesley, MA. Her father built a summer cottage at Harbor Beach in the 1950's, across the street from what would be her own home decades later. She is survived by her daughter Mary-Alice Chasse and husband Jeff Chasse of Sturbridge and Mattapoisett, MA, as well as her grandchildren Anthony Chasse and wife Sarah, Emily Chasse, and Catherine Chasse. She is also survived by her son John A. Theriault and his partner Scott Kellogg of Mattapoisett, MA. Albert Theriault passed away in February of 2019.

A 1955 American Literature graduate of Brandeis University, she continued with graduate work at Simmons College in Library Science. She then married Bert who she had met as an undergraduate at Brandeis. Later, she spent a year in the Netherlands accompanying Bert on his Fulbright fellowship and traveling through Europe with 2-year-old Mary-Alice in tow.

They then moved to Holden, MA where she became an active volunteer in the community, serving on a variety of town committees. She was also active at St. George's Church in Worcester, working for decades on the Christmas Fair including chairing it. She was a devoted mother, being first to arrive at every parent's day, school play, track meet, and moreover the years. Upon retirement in 1990, they moved to Mattapoisett year-round, where she was again active in the community. She served as a Mattapoisett Library Trustee for 12 years, and as an active member of the Library Building and Renovation Committee for 10 years. From handicapped accessibility to the correct roofing tiles, she paid attention to the details of the process and spoke up when she thought changes were needed. Her goal was to make sure the town had the best library possible.

In addition to community work, she and Bert were active in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary for 41 years, both in Holden and Mattapoisett. For 19 of those years, she assisted Bert as a volunteer lighthouse keeper at Ned's Point, giving community tours from the ground while Bert was at the top. In addition, she worked with the Mattapoisett Historical Commission to create wayside panels including at Ned's Point to provide a brief history of the lighthouse to visitors. She was also active in the town's Council on Aging and as a parishioner at St. Anthony's Church for decades.

In 2013, she was awarded "Mattapoisett Woman of the Year" by the Standard-Times.

Given current public health concerns, services will be private. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the Mattapoisett Library Trust, Inc., P. O. Box 475, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Henry N. Carlier, of New Bedford, passed away on Friday, December 18, 2020 at the age of 88. Known to close friends and family as "Pete," he was the loving husband of the late Jeanne L. (Boucher) Carlier who passed away last year on February 18, 2020. She was 83. Jeanne was affectionately known to all as "DeeDee."

Born and raised in New Bedford, Henry was the

President and CEO Amanda McMullen is confident that participants "will still be drawn in by the drama and excitement of the hunt for the while whale. As always, there will be plenty of opportunities to have fun and to dive deeper into the content in our hosted talks with experts on Zoom."

Hundreds of readers from across the country recorded themselves reading passages from the book and sent them in to the museum to be stitched together as a full cover-to-cover reading of "Moby-Dick." The final product will be played beginning Saturday, **January 9**, at 11:30 am and run through Sunday, ending around noon.

Activities begin on Friday, **January 8**, at 7:00 pm with a lively online presentation, "'A Wonder, a Grandeur, and a Woe': Melville and Human Progress," with Steven Olsen-Smith. A past president of The Melville Society, Olsen-Smith is professor at Boise State University and general editor of "Melville's Marginalia Online." Tickets for the Friday event must be purchased in advance and cost $10 for Whaling Museum members and $15 for non-members.

All weekend long, people living in Dartmouth, New Bedford, Acushnet, or Fairhaven, Massachusetts can have warm chowder, delicious brews, or a full meal well-suited for a hungry sailor delivered to their homes, thanks to the museum's event partners. Go to the museum's website for details on how to order.

A virtual chat with Melville Scholars takes place at 2:30 pm on Saturday, **January 9**, via Zoom. Whaling Museum Curator of Maritime History Michael Dyer will pair artworks with Melville's writings during "Visualizing Melville: An Exhibition of Words, Ideas, Images, and Objects," an online presentation on Sunday beginning at 10:00 am. These events and activities, as well as the reading itself, are all free and open to the public.

Although participants will not be able to gather for the traditional "Stump the Scholars" session, scholars from The Melville Society have created a Moby-Dick quiz, so everyone can test their Melville knowledge. The quiz will be available online during the Moby-Dick Marathon on the museum's website.

The Whaling Museum, in collaboration with The

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son of the late George and Yvonne (Tetrault) Carlier. Jeanne was the daughter of Albert and Jean (Hubert) Boucher of Acushnet.

They were lifelong area residents with many of their married years spent living in Rochester. It was during those years living in Rochester that together, they would establish their dog kennel Hillrise. Over the years, Henry and Jeanne became accomplished and achieved success in raising, training, breeding, and showing German Shepherd dogs. They would see their greatest success with Tanley's Gold Dust of Hillrise. AKA "Dusty." Their work with Dusty would bring them all national recognition and a champion select honor. Their crowning achievement. In their earlier years of obedience training, Henry and Jeanne would have success through their German Shepherd Vala's recruitment and service in the US military.

A Veteran of the Korean War, Henry served in the United States Army. After he completed his service, Henry worked for several years in the flooring industry, followed by part-time employment until his retirement. Jeanne was a lifelong employee of Verizon. In their later years, Henry and Jeanne would further their love of dogs through rescue. They were active supporting members of nonprofit rescue and animal rights organizations. They also took part in supporting K-9 officers through vest donation. Both very social, Henry and his wife enjoyed travel. Their door was always open and friends and family were always welcome. Henry would spend his last remaining few years in residency at the Oaks. Jeanne in residence at Sacred Heart. They are both loved and missed by all. Henry and Jeanne are survived by a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond LaPalme of Venice, Florida as well as by godchildren, several nieces and a nephew.

Due to current restrictions on public gatherings, their funeral and burial will be private. Henry will be buried with his wife at the national cemetery in Bourne. In lieu of flowers, contributions in their honor may be made to the Humane Society of the United States, 1255 23rd St., NW, suite 450, Washington, D.C. 20037

Edna S. (Simmons) Dunn, 88, of Mattapoisett died January 1, 2021 peacefully at home surrounded by her family.

She was the wife of the late Charles B. Dunn.

Born in Fall River, daughter of the late Abram and Emilia (Malek) Simmons, she lived in Fairhaven most of her life.

Mrs. Dunn was a graduate of Fairhavern High School, class of 1949. After graduation, she moved to New York City to pursue a career in modeling. After four years of modeling, she married and stayed at home raising her children.

She played violin and piano and she loved reading and sailing.

Survivors include her son, Jeffrey Dunn and his wife Lisa of Mattapoisett; a brother, Allen Simmons of south Texas; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was the mother of the late Benjamin Dunn and the sister of the late Abram Simmons, Jr.

Her private funeral arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.

Movie Review

Woman Scorned

By Rob Gonsalves
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***Promising Young Woman.* Starring Carey Mulligan and Bo Burnham. Directed by Emerald Fennell. Running time: 113 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now showing in theaters.**

The gut tension starts early in Emerald Fennell's debut feature *Promising Young Woman.* Cassie (Carey Mulligan) is by herself at night at a bar, seemingly so blitzed she can barely sit up. Some nearby horndogs take notice, and one of them heads over to her. What follows, as the guy compels the scarcely sentient Cassie to go back to his place for a drink, trades one form of stress for another, a more deeply unsettling one. Cassie is nowhere near as drunk or oblivious as she seems, and her M.O. is quickly established: She purposely attracts predatory dudes, then confronts them with their own piggishness. One of the insights that writer-director Fennell has is that all these guys, two minutes after trying to take advantage of an inebriated woman, still want to portray themselves as not that bad. They're not, like, *rapists* or anything, they think, not long after they were planning rape.

But this isn't quite the #MeToo *Death Wish* some critics have painted it as. It's a satire — like, *dark* satire, Juvenalian satire in which hardly anyone comes off well, except maybe Cassie's gentle dad (Clancy Brown, gainfully cast against his usual type). It satirizes the inverse of its title: the "promising young men" (Brock Turner, say) whose lives stand to be ruined if they are held accountable for their crimes against women. And the women's lives? Young women, presumably, are not as promising. It's a bitter, necessary title for a bitter, necessary near-thriller about a rage-filled woman who always seems about to cross over to violence but never does, except the violence she does to men's egos.

Promising Young Woman is, alas, a bit pulpy; it runs a little too far on coincidences. If Ryan (Bo Burnham), a former classmate of Cassie's, didn't pick the coffee bar where she works to grab a cup, there wouldn't be a first-act spin to kick the material up a notch. Ryan is a doctor, and Cassie was once going to be one, too, but she dropped out of med school to take care of her friend Nina, who was raped at a party. Usually, as in *Ms. 45* and other revengesploitation, the annihilating angel is herself a victim, but Fennell works around that trope to haunting effect. Nina is never seen, but looms large over Cassie and over the movie. When we first meet her, Cassie's vengeful fury is a bit random, scattershot; she only shames those who approach her with foul intent. But Ryan and the world he's part of give Cassie sharper focus. Ryan seems a decent sort, quietly witty, and we dare to hope that Cassie finds some happiness. But the goblin of coincidence raises its furry head again; there's a revelation that some will take as a betrayal and others will already have seen coming.

I saw it coming, but *Promising Young Woman* still left a stinging mark on me as one of the year's best. I continue to insist that, as more marginalized people step behind the camera and take the reins of story — women, people of color, LGBTQ+, etc. — we will see how their approaches differ, often in wonderful ways, from that of the standard default white-cis-hetero-male director. There is a foglike dread, dread of how bad things can get, that runs through violent female-made films like Jane Campion's *In the Cut* and Lynne Ramsay's *We Need to Talk About Kevin* — a subtle undertone of the silent agony that male supremacy is built on. And I find it in *Promising Young Woman*, which isn't really a "horror film" but is *about* horror, true horror as it is felt and lived, the horror of being violated and then ignored, having to live on in a world that doesn't care that you were raped. That, in fact, would rather you just shut up about it or die.

The movie may leave you feeling like an open wound, but I can't deny it's also fun a lot of the way. Carey Mulligan gets to play an emotionally stunted, eternally disappointed woman, and she finds notes of wit in Cassie's pain — she may be in pain, but she also *is* a pain. That Cassie isn't a wide-eyed goody-goody allows us to enjoy her manipulations as a sort of theater of rage. This one random guy may have had nothing to do with her friend's savaging, but he's still a guy who can be taught some brutal truths. Ryan seems different, but don't they all? *Promising Young Woman* sees all men as grinning reptiles pulling at themselves; it sees through Cassie's eyes without 100% buying into her particular actions, but still doesn't *disagree* with her. And if we didn't do concern-trolling with Bronson and Eastwood and all their rest about *their* vigilante actions, we don't need to start now with Cassie.

Melville Society, is the established home of the Melville Society Cultural Project and the Melville Society Archive, which is housed in the Whaling Museum Research Library. The archive constitutes one of the best collections of Melville scholarship and resources anywhere in the world.

Visit www.whalingmuseum.org for the full schedule of events and details on how to participate.

Peter Hodges Memorial Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Lions Club, a member of Lions International, the world's largest service club organization consisting of 45,000 clubs and more than 1.3 million members worldwide, is pleased to announce the availability of two $ 2,500 scholarships to be awarded this year to a graduating high school senior or home-schooled student residing in Mattapoisett, Marion, or Rochester.

The funds for the Peter Hodges Memorial Scholarship are raised through fundraisers held by the Mattapoisett Lions Club throughout the year, including Harbor Days, an annual arts and crafts festival held in Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett, on the third weekend of July.

The Lion's Club motto is "We Serve." The significant charitable causes of Lion's International include raising funds for eye research in an effort to end preventable blindness throughout the world, eradicating measles worldwide in partnership with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and here at home providing

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Tri-town Police Logs

MARION
Log highlights Dec 27-Jan 2
- Mill St – MV collision
- Route 195 West – MV collision
- Bayview Rd – Animal complaint
- Sparrow Ln – Animal complaint
- County Rd – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd - Disturbance
- Route 195 East – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – Follow up
- Route 195 West – MV collision
- Point Rd – Parking enforcement
- Front St – Officer wanted
- Marconi Ln - Fraud
- Front St – EMS/medical
- Field Stone Ln – Noise complaint
- Village Dr – Health/welfare
- Cottage St – Animal complaint
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Converse Rd – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Tucker Ln – Suspicious MV
- Front St – Suspicious activity
- Onset Ave – Health/welfare
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Olde Sheepfield Rd – Officer wanted
- Front St – Paper service
- Mill St – Order of protection
- Front St – Suspicious person
- Washburn Ln – General service

MATTAPOISETT
Log highlights Dec 27-Jan 2
- Prospect Rd – Structure fire
- Ocean Breeze Ln – Animal control
- Brandt Island Rd – Disturbance
- Harbor Nk Rd – Health/welfare
- I195 West – Assist other agency
- I195 West – Tire deflation device deploy
- Holly Ln – Health/welfare
- Industrial Dr – Assist citizen
- Barstow St – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Officer wanted
- River Rd – Suspicious MV
- Water St – Suspicious MV
- Marion Rd – Assist other agency
- Barstow St – Follow up investigation
- North St - Complaint
- County Rd – Property lost
- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Crystal Spring Rd - Notification
- Hammond St – Suspicious persons
- Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
- County Rd – 911 abandoned
- Randall Ln – Health/welfare
- Church St – Ambulance request
- Holly Ln – 911 abandoned
- Pine Island Rd – Assist other agency
- Acorn Ln – Assist citizen
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Alderberry Ln - Disturbance
- County Rd – Transport prisoner

ROCHESTER
Log highlights Dec 27-Jan 2
- Neck Rd - Medical
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/citation
- North Ave – Suspicious MV
- Mendell Rd – Assist other agency
- High St - Threats
- Snipatuit Rd – 911 call
- Burgess Ave – Parking complaint
- Rounseville Rd – 911 call
- High St – 911 call
- Marion Rd – Animal complaint
- New Bedford Rd - Threats
- Mattapoisett Rd – 911 call
- Snipatuit Rd - Medical
- Rounseville Rd – Panic alarm
- Cushman Rd - Medical
- Dexter Ln - Harassment
- Porter Rd - Harassment
- Marys Pond Rd – 911 call
- Paradise Ln – 911 call
- Burgess Ave – Structure fire
- Gerrish Rd – Suspicious activity
- Hiller Rd – 911 call
- Bishop Rd - Medical
- Dexter ln - Investigation
- Coombs Rd – Animal control
- Bishop Rd – Noise complaint
- High St – MV collision
- Neck Rd – MV collision
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious activity

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM
Monday, Jan 4: Macaroni & cheese, escalloped tomatoes, garlic green beans, fruit loaf, strawberry cup
Tuesday, Jan 5: Mexican chicken, rice & beans, mixed vegetables, oatmeal roll, pineapple
Wednesday, Jan 6: Sloppy Joe, roasted potatoes, Italian vegetable blend blend, hamburger roll, orange
Thursday, Jan 7: Roast turkey w. gravy, cranberry sauce (2), mashed potatoes, winter squash, multigrain bread, strawberry shortcake, diet: graham wafers
Friday, Jan 8: Pork lo mein, oriental vegetable blend, mixed fruit

CENTER SCHOOL
Monday, Jan 4: Remote
Tuesday, Jan 5: Cohort A: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Wednesday, Jan 6: Cohort B: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Thursday, Jan 7: Cohort A: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Friday, Jan 8: Cohort B: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk

OLD HAMMONDTOWN
Monday, Jan 4: Remote
Tuesday, Jan 5: Cohort A: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Wednesday, Jan 6: Cohort B: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Thursday, Jan 7: Cohort A: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Friday, Jan 8: Cohort B: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
Monday, Jan 4: Remote
Tuesday, Jan 5: Cohort A: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Wednesday, Jan 6: Cohort B: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Thursday, Jan 7: Cohort A: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Friday, Jan 8: Cohort B: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL
Monday, Jan 4: Remote
Tuesday, Jan 5: Cohort A: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Wednesday, Jan 6: Cohort B: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Thursday, Jan 7: Cohort A: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Friday, Jan 8: Cohort B: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk

SIPPICAN SCHOOL
Monday, Jan 4: Remote
Tuesday, Jan 5: Cohort A: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Wednesday, Jan 6: Cohort B: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, oven roasted French fries, savory green beans, fresh apple OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Thursday, Jan 7: Cohort A: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk
Friday, Jan 8: Cohort B: Pizza crunchers, marinara sauce, garden salad, chilled pears OR Cranberry chicken salad, 1% milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL
Monday, Jan 4: Teriyaki beef stir fry bowl
Tuesday, Jan 5: Chicken nuggets, fries & bread
Wednesday, Jan 6: American chop suey, green bean & garlic bread
Thursday, Jan 7: Turkey club & fries
Friday, Jan 8: Assorted pizza

services for those in need in our communities.

To qualify, a graduating student or home-schooled student shall be accepted to and intending to attend their first year of a recognized institution of higher education, must be a resident of the Tri-Town, and must have a demonstrated contribution of service to the community.

To obtain an application, learn more about this award, or to learn how to become a member of the Lions Club, visit our website www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org. Award applications are also available through the guidance department at your high school.

Applications must be received by **March 27**.

Cushing Cemetery

The gates at Cushing Cemetery will be closed and locked just before and during any significant snow/ice storms. We have to do this for insurance reasons and to protect our roads and headstones. After the snow is gone, we will unlock and open the gates. Thank you for your understanding.

Recycle with ORRHS's DECA Club

Out with the old and in with the new! Clean out your closets and give Mother Nature the gift of donating your unwanted textiles. Did you know that 85 percent of clothing and textiles end up in landfills even though 95 percent can be recycled or reused? Support ORR High School's DECA Club by donating your textiles all year round. The following can be put in the bins in any condition, old or new, as long as items are clean and dry: All types of footwear, clothing (including undergarments and socks), accessories (hats, gloves, scarves, handbags, duffle bags, tote bags, belts, ties), linens (sheets, pillows, comforters, blankets, towels, dish towels, throw rugs, draperies, table linens, placemats), and stuffed animals in any condition. Please bag items. Donation bins are located outside of Center School, Old Hammondtown, Rochester Memorial, Sippican School, and ORR Junior High and High Schools. All proceeds benefit ORRHS's DECA Club.

Meditation During Stressful Times

On Tuesdays at 10:30 am, the Marion Council on Aging is offering a virtual meditation class held via Zoom. Stress has never been greater than it is right now. The pandemic has forced us indoors and has cut us off from the natural resources in our lives, such as time spent with family, friends, and beneficial activities. The good news is that meditation is a natural and effective way of quieting the mind and reducing stress. It can lower blood pressure and promote feelings of safety, peace of mind, and wellbeing. This class is perfect for anyone who enjoys the practice of meditation, as well as those who may be interested in learning how to meditate. You will be guided from the safety and comfort of your home by a dedicated meditation teacher with over 25 years of experience, Susan M. Pisapia.

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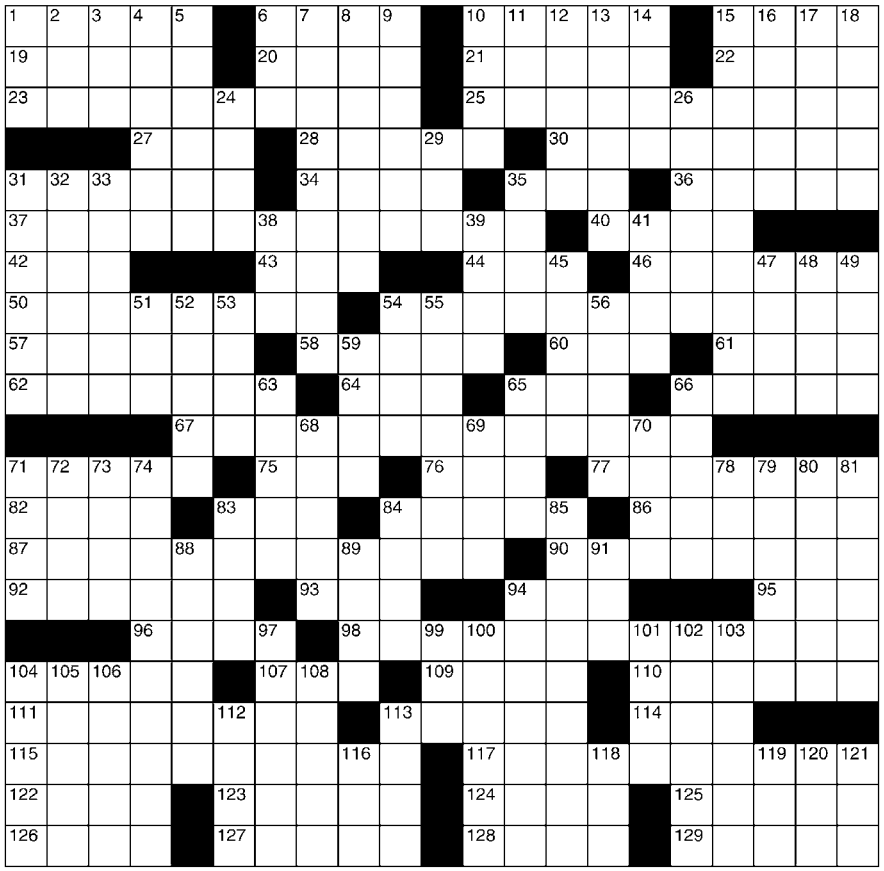
ACROSS
1 Halo sporter
6 Nest nuggets
10 Had no being
15 "Vamoose!"
19 "I wanna try!"
20 Cameo, e.g.
21 Lend — (pay attention)
22 Poi source
23 Participants in a guided discussion
25 Longtime kids' nature magazine
27 Spanish for "bear"
28 McDonnell Douglas jet
30 Refuge
31 Thelma's cohort, in film
34 Use an entryway
35 Velvet or Hallow ender
36 — hop (jitterbug)
37 14- to 18-year-old in a British youth association
40 Source copy: Abbr.
42 "BTW" part
43 You, in Berlin
44 Road given a no.
46 Pop-rock singer Simpson
50 Kind of sheet metal
54 Border illumination on some smartphones
57 Mini-whirlpools
58 What bran provides, to Brits
60 Grads.-to-be
61 Basso Pinza
62 Outfits anew
64 "No" voter
65 "— culpa!"
66 Slender nails
67 Large cosmological aggregate
71 Imams' God
75 U.S. tax org.
76 Berlin article
77 Ejected lava
82 Waste time
83 Party game
84 "— not lost"
86 1980s TV's Remington
87 1966 Wilson Pickett hit
90 The "I" of 75-Across
92 Show up for
93 Farm female
94 Abbr. for those with only one given name
95 Mil. unit
96 Tooth anchor
98 First extended stay on the International Space Station
104 Spiny plants
107 With 103-Down, didn't know at all
109 Radio knob
110 Loin steaks
111 Put in order
113 Writer Franz
114 "Y" athlete
115 Annual Arizona football game
117 New York City fashion-industry agency whose name is apt for this puzzle
122 Shoe fillers
123 Conical tent
124 Comics' Kett
125 "Peachy!"
126 Sommer of Hollywood
127 Lauder of fragrances
128 Asian nation
129 Garish

DOWN
1 TV title alien
2 Natal lead-in
3 Yukon maker
4 Avian-based skin care product
5 To a smaller degree
6 Botch it up
7 "Sheesh!"
8 Biochemical sugar
9 Erma Bombeck's "The Grass Is Always Greener Over the — Tank"
10 Alert
11 Actress Ortiz
12 Pick up on
13 1998 Winter Olympics city
14 Nonkosher
15 More direct
16 — terrier
17 Curved
18 Sweet white wine
24 Word after film or play
26 Frank topper
29 Musician Brian
31 Vowel, e.g.
32 Bull leather
33 Capsizes
35 Ending for major
38 Conn. hours
39 Compulsion
41 Inferior mags
45 Someone — problem
47 Tony winner Minnelli
48 Writer Blyton
49 Huge heads
51 More, in music
52 "Psycho" co-star Janet
53 Dog in "The Thin Man"
54 Bidding site
55 Common battery type
56 Infuriated
59 "What You Need" rock band
63 Injured-arm supporter
65 Actor Paul
66 Yahoo
68 Left the bed
69 Kin of a tulip
70 Once, once
71 Mater lead-in
72 Yahoo
73 Rearmost
74 It lingers in the mouth
78 — annum
79 Bodily band
80 Benes on "Seinfeld"
81 Investigates
83 Annul
84 Author Haley
85 A lot like
88 Rub oil on
89 Wowed
91 Future louse
94 Bismarck is its cap.
97 Realm of Oedipus
99 PalmPilot, e.g., in brief
100 — Tower (Paris sight)
101 Agenda part
102 Like an oval or rectangle
103 See 107-Across
104 — latte
105 Disney's "Little Mermaid"
106 Streamlet
108 Become a parent to
112 Fence "door"
113 Swiss painter Paul
116 Really small
118 Berlin article
119 Water, to Somme folks
120 "Inc." cousin
121 — latte



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A hectic period begins to wind down. Take time to draw some deep breaths and relax before getting into your next project. A long-absent family member makes contact.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to move forward with a new challenge that suddenly dropped in your lap. But you'd be wise to take this one step at a time to allow new developments to come through.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're almost ready to make a commitment. A lingering doubt or two, however, should be resolved before you move ahead. An associate could provide important answers.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Caution is still the watchword as you move closer toward a decision about a new situation. If you act too fast, you might miss some vital warning signs. Go slowly and stay alert.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your new goal looks promising, and your golden touch does much to enhance its prospects for success. In your private life, Cupid does his best to make your new relationship special.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That impatient side of yours is looking to goad you into moving before you're ready to take that big step. Stay calm and cool. Let things fall into place before you act.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Travel and career are strong in your aspect. Perhaps your job will take you to someplace exotic. Or you might be setting up meetings with potential clients or employers. Whatever it is, good luck.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Partnerships -- personal or professional -- which began before the new year take on new importance. They also reveal some previously hidden risks. So be warned.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your associates are firmly on your side, and that persistent problem that has caused you to delay some activities should soon be resolved to your satisfaction.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Favorable changes continue to dominate, and you should be responding positively as they emerge. Someone wants to become more involved in what you're doing.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A friend wants to share a secret that could answer some questions you've wondered about for a long time. Meanwhile, travel aspects continue to be strong.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Stay on your new course despite so-called well-meaning efforts to discourage you. Rely on your deep sense of self-awareness to guide you to do what's right for you.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK: You have the capacity to meet challenges that others might find overwhelming, and turn them into successful ventures.

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This class is being funded by a generous grant from Coastline, Inc., the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs, and the Federal Administration for Community Living.

Please contact the Council on Aging office at 508-748-3570 to attain access information for Zoom.

Marion Stickers, Licenses, and Guest Passes

Marion residents will be able to purchase the 2021 Marion Beach/Parking stickers, Marion Transfer Station stickers, Shellfish Licenses, and Guest Passes, available now. However, the process to purchase them will be different this year.

Stickers, etc., will only be available for purchase via mail.

In order to purchase stickers, etc., you must send copies of all the proper documents along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Attn: Harbormaster's Office. You can either mail them or use the drop boxes in front of the building on Spring Street. Requests will be completed within two weeks of being received in the office. Please make checks out to the Town of Marion.

The complete policies and sticker requirements can be found at www.marionma.gov on the Harbormaster page.

Please call 508-748-3515 or email dhemphill@marionma.gov with any questions. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Marion Art Center Call for Entries: Winter Members' Show

The Marion Art Center announces its first exhibit of the 2021 season: The Annual Winter Members' Show. Any current MAC member is invited to enter up to two pieces for exhibition. All art must be original, of the artist's own design and creation, and prepared for installation. Show dates are **January 15 – February 24**. Drop-off dates for artwork are scheduled on Friday, **January 8**, and Saturday, **January 9**. Members must schedule an appointment for drop-off. Head to marionartcenter.org/on-exhibit to download the contract, submit your entries, and request an appointment through the new, easy-to-use online form. Alternatively, members can email info@marionartcenter.org with "Winter Members' Show" in the subject line.

January Classes at the MAC: Registration is now open at the Marion Art Center for 2021 watercolor courses for adults. Instructor Jay Ryan will teach two 8-week courses: Beginning-Continuing Watercolor, and Continuing-Advanced Watercolor Painting, starting on Thursday, **January 7** and Friday, **January 8**, respectively. Each class will run 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, and the Friday course has a new drop-in option for just $30 a day! Each full 8-week course is $195 for MAC members and $220 for non-members. Class size is limited to five students, and anyone inside the MAC must wear a mask. Drop-in availability is subject to change each week. A new session of virtual Botanical Drawing with Catherine Carter will be added within the coming weeks. To find out more or to register online, visit marionartcenter.org/adult-classes.

Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path are pleased to report that the community has responded enthusiastically to the Friends' campaign to raise funds for the completion of the Marion Connector. To date, over 90 households have made contributions or pledges ranging from $5 to $25,000. Although contributions are still coming in and some pledges remain to be collected, the fundraising progress to date has enabled the Friends to issue the $95,000 commitment letter required for the project to be put out to bid in December.

"The generous support for this fundraising effort from so many people demonstrates just how important the completion of the bike path is to our communities," said Bonne DeSousa, president of the Friends. "We expect the final totals for this campaign will be sufficient to provide some protection against cost overruns in the Marion Connector project, as well as permit the Friends to retain some of its cash on hand for future projects. The broad support for this campaign is encouraging to the Friends Board. It means there is wide backing for the work required to complete the remaining segments of the bike path."

"The Town of Mattapoisett is very grateful to all those who are contributing to this campaign and making it possible to complete the Marion Connector in the near future," said Mike Lorenco, Mattapoisett town administrator. "The fact that many contributions are from residents of other towns in the area is evidence of the regional importance of the bike path."

The "Marion Connector" is a half-mile bike and pedestrian path between the eastern end of Industrial Park Drive and the Marion Town line. (At the border, it will connect with a similar shared-use path to be constructed in the future by the Town of Marion.) It provides a trailhead with handicapped-accessible parking and access to the woodland trails of Tinkham Forest and the Aucoot Woods area. When Marion's Pathway project (which is funded and currently in permit review) is complete, walking, running, and cycling on a paved shared-use path will be available between Point Road in Marion, Route 105 in Marion, and Industrial Drive in Mattapoisett.

The Friends is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization, so contributions to the Friends for the construction of the Marion Connector are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path, P.O. Box 1336, Mattapoisett, MA, 02739.
Contacts: Liz DiCarlo, 508-942-9343, lizdicarlo@comcast.net; or Bill Coquillette, 216-789-2303,

LEGAL NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application Number W20-5866
Owner: The Meadow Island Realty Trust
NOTIFICATION DATE: January 12, 2021

Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by The Meadow Island Realty Trust to construct and maintain a ramp extension, larger floats, and install two float piles at 34 Fraser Way, in the municipality of Marion, in and over flowed tidelands of Blankinship's Cove. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date." Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more, with at least five of the 10 residents residing in the municipality(s) in which the license or permitted activity is located, to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comment Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).

Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at (508) 946-2873. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways Regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below.

Written comments must be addressed to: Carlos T.B. Fragata, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347. 1/7

LEGAL NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application Number W20-5869
Owner: 122 Register Rd., LLC
NOTIFICATION DATE: January 12, 2021

Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by 122 Register Rd., LLC to construct and maintain a pile supported pier, ramp and float at 122 Register Road, in the municipality of Marion, in and over flowed tidelands of Wings Cove. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more, with at least five of the 10 residents residing in the municipality(s) in which the license or permitted activity is located, to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comment Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).

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TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
PRIVATE ROADS THAT NEED TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION
PRIOR TO SNOW PLOWING FOR THE 2020/2021 SEASON.

Private Road trimming is the responsibility of the Property Owners of that Private Road.

Trees & shrubs must be cut back 2 feet from the edge of the road and 12 feet in height to provide clearance for plows and emergency vehicles.

The Town of Mattapoisett Highway Department does not provide trimming services to private roads.

For snow plowing information please call The Highway Department at (508)-758-4181, Monday thru Friday, 7AM – 3:30PM.

Updated 12-29-2020

Private Road	Corrective Action	Cost of Material
BEACH ST (CB)	NEEDS GRADING	$50
CEDARCREST AVE	NEEDS GRADING	$50
DAVID ST	NEEDS GRADING	$125
DUPONT DR – SOUTH	NEEDS GRADING	$50
DYAR RD	NEEDS GRADING	$75
EVERGREEN AVE	NEEDS GRADING	$25
HIGHLAND AVE (BB)	NEEDS GRADING	$125
ISLAND ST	NEEDS GRADING	$75
MARINA DR CENTER	NEEDS GRADING	$125
MARSTON CT	NEEDS GRADING	$100
OLIVER ST – WATER SIDE	NEEDS GRADING	$100
OLIVER ST	NEEDS GRADING	$50
PINE RD (PC)	NEEDS GRADING	$25
SHORE DR	NEEDS GRADING	$75
WENDELL ST	NEEDS GRADING	$25
WEST SILVERSHELL AVE	NEEDS GRADING	$25

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm.

NOTE REMOTE MEETING ON 01/21/2021 WILL START AT 6:00 PM**

Case #1457: Application of: Stephen E Goulsten, 46 Pammy's Path, North Easton, MA 02356; RE:27 Nashawena Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.1.1.2 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to reconstruct a single-family home. The property is further described as Plot 15A, Lot 129 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Case #1459: Application of: David L & Mary F. Pendergast, 36 A Street 6C, South Boston, MA 02127; RE: 3 Ned's Point Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.1.,3.1.2, and 3.1.2.2 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to renovate existing dwelling and constructing a second floor over a garage. The property is further described as Plot 7, Lot 25 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Case #1460: Application of: Rene Macie & Sheila Ryan-Macie, 3 Pinebrook Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE: 3 Pinebrook Lane. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.2.2 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to add a third bay addition to an existing 2 car garage. The property is further described as Plot 5, Lot 224A on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Case #1461: Application of: Marya V. Gabriel, DVM, CVA, 7 Alderberry Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE:7 Alderberry Lane. The applicant is seeking a Commercial Special Permit under sections 5.1.4.1 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to run a Veterinarian acupuncture business from a residential home. The property is further described as Plot 18, Lot 138 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Due to restrictions on public gatherings because of COVID-19, this meeting will be held remotely, and members of the public will NOT be allowed to physically attend. To access the meeting please use the following log in information.
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Sincerely,
Susan Akin, Chairperson
Mary Anne Brogan, Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Anthony Tranfaglia 1/7, 1/14

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william.coquillette@gmail.com.

Mattapoisett Land Trust Story Walks

Just in Time for you, your family, and friends to explore during the Holidays! The Mattapoisett Land Trust Education Committee, in collaboration with the Mattapoisett Library and the ORRHS Community Service Learning students, teachers, and parents, has installed two new, very stimulating story walks.

You will find them on the Dunseith Property off Route 6 by "Salty the Seahorse" and the Munn Preserve Property off Mattapoisett Neck Road, just before the entrance pillars of Antassawamock, to your right.

Not only are the walks exciting and fun, but there is also an emphasis on nature and scientific matter. Wendy Copps, MLT board director and Education Committee member, said, "The Munn Property Story Walk, 'A Green Day,' by Antoinette Portis, is a poetic conversation with nature and allows the reader to meander down the beautiful path to the conclusion at the beach on Brandt Island Cove."

Mary Cabral, MLT director and Education Committee member said, "A great partnership has been established with ORRHS Community Service Learning Students and Karen Browning, Math teacher and advisor." Mary said, "It is nice to be surrounded by positive and energetic young people while working on the beautiful Land Trust Properties." The students worked on two separate Saturdays, October 24 and November 21.

Karen Browning said that she has lived in Mattapoisett for 25 years and never explored the Munn property. It has been because of Karen's continued support of the MLT Education programs that we are most grateful for, as she spends hours and days helping to organize our events for the students, said Ellen P. Flynn, board director and chair of education. "Karen's dedication to our organization is phenomenal."

Our education mission is to enhance students' environmental awareness through hands-on learning experiences in our community, and we believe their exposure to nature is essential for growth and development for a healthier life.

Wendy Copps also explains the Story Walk at Dunseith Property. The book entitled "Rosie: Stronger than Steel," by Lindsay Ward, is about a tractor, inspired by the women who acted with courage and strength in the American factories and British farms during World War II. "This story allows the reader to explore the forested area near a brook," Wendy says.

Mike Huguenin, MLT president, said, "The Land Trust hopes these new story walks will encourage families to enjoy the outdoors and the MLT's beautiful properties throughout the cooler months to come." Mike believes we all need to focus and explore a taste for the use of our natural resources.

Please visit our website mattlandtrust.org for more photos, trails, events, and our podcast.

Marion Town Offices

Due to the increase of COVID-19 in our community and for the protection of our employees and residents that conduct business with them, Marion Town Offices will remain open by appointment until further notice.

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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 8:20 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Notice of Intent, submitted by Bruce Pawelczyk, to remove decks, walkways, and other appurtenances. A 12'x24' addition is proposed in the area of the existing side deck. The decking will be replaced on the rear deck and columns added to support a new upper deck at 50 West Avenue.

The site is further identified as Lot 12 on Marion Assessors' Map 3. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Shaun P. Walsh, Chair
*Please contact Donna Hemphill at 508-748-3515 or dhemphill@marionma.gov for the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 12/31 (online only), 1/7

TOWN OF MARION
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 8:30 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Notice of Intent (DEP File No. SE 041-xxxx) submitted by 418 Point Road Trust, to repair (replace a portion of) select decayed pile supports for the existing boardwalk/pier which was constructed circa 2009 at 418 Point Road.

The site is further identified as Lots 15 on Assessors Map 2. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Shaun P. Walsh, Chair
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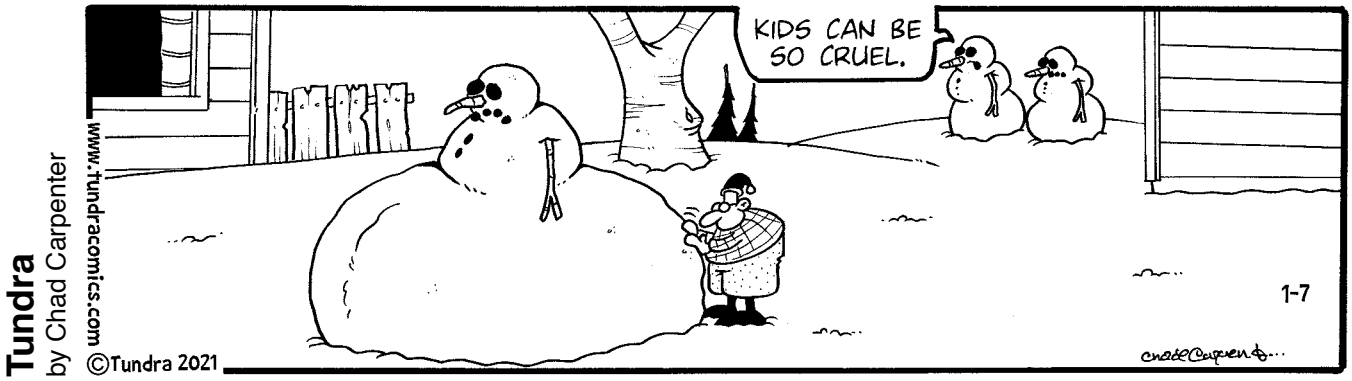
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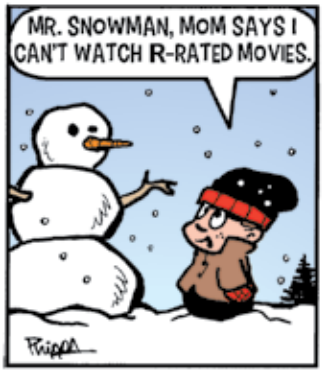
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The Mattapoisett Museum

The Mattapoisett Museum is looking for dedicated volunteers to serve on our board of directors. We are seeking creative, enthusiastic, and devoted individuals to grow and diversify a small and ambitious museum focusing on history, art, and culture in Mattapoisett and the surrounding area.

The Mattapoisett Museum seeks to embrace and promote diversity, multiculturalism, and inclusion in our collections and programming. We are seeking talented people with skills in programming, outreach, fundraising, and more. Board members do not need to be a Mattapoisett resident. For more information about applying for a position on the board and to receive a complete board of director's information packet, please contact the Mattapoisett Museum at director@mattapoisettmuseum.org.

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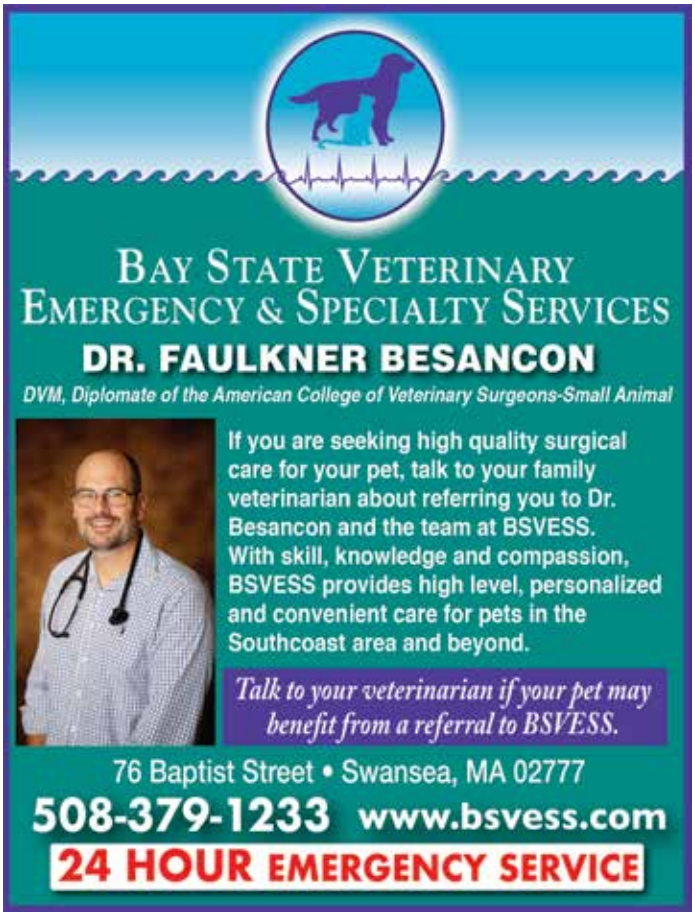
Friends of Ned's Point Lighthouse, Inc. is an organization solely dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Ned's Point Lighthouse in Mattapoisett,



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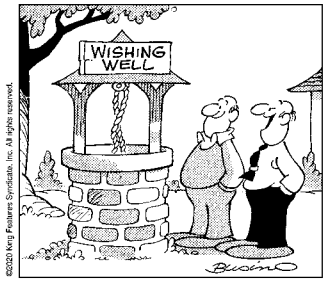

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The Old Rochester Regional School District will be holding its annual screening clinic for 3 and 4-year-olds on the following dates and locations:

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-Wednesday, **March 10, 2021** at Rochester Memorial School, Rochester

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MAC Annual Giving Campaign

The Marion Art Center kicks off its annual giving campaign this week. As a nonprofit organization, the MAC relies on funding from donors and members. The MAC has come a long way since March when COVID-19 concerns forced the closure of the building and the cancellation or postponement of many programs. With its dedicated board, executive director, and volunteers, the MAC has continued to advance its mission and serve the community.

This year the MAC has introduced "The Virtual MAC" on the new MAC website featuring an online exhibit, video gallery tours, artist interviews, a virtual Readers Theater event, and ArtTalk @ the MAC (an online art discussion group); a community message board installed on the MAC patio; a COVID-safe version of Arts in the Park; the MAC's annual outdoor artisan

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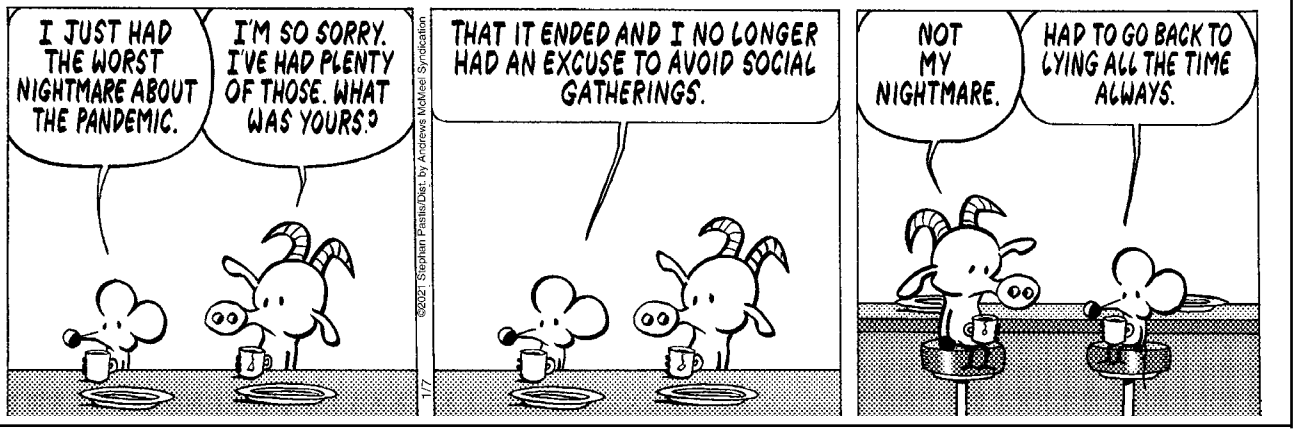

market; a reopening of the MAC galleries with a popular show "Vessels", plus an outdoor meet-and-greet with artists; a successful, fun, first-ever Online Art Auction; and an outdoor theater production, "Good People," in Bicentennial Park, with sold-out performances that received rave reviews.

Donate to the MAC's annual campaign today to help support the arts in our community at a time when it's needed most. Memberships and the limited funds earned from programming this year cover only a portion of expenses. The Marion Art Center gladly accepts donations of any kind – general donations, annual pledges, stock gifts, memorial or legacy gifts, and the gift of growing the MAC family through membership. Donating online is easy at marionartcenter.org/support. Become a member of the MAC online at marionartcenter.org/join. Alternatively, checks can be mailed directly to the Marion Art Center at P.O. Box 602, Marion, MA, 02738. To find out more, visit the MAC online at marionartcenter.org.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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Brendan Foster	January 7
Jessica Fuller	January 7
Anne Johnson	January 8
Richie Gilbert	January 8
Liz Hathaway	January 9
Maris Hubbard	January 9
Dalton Pinto	January 10
Tim Watterson	January 11
Amanda Fillio	January 12
Debbie Morrell	January 12
Jeannine Lola Duchaine	January 12
Andrew Duval	January 13
Brendan Burke	January 13
Dean Vincent	January 13

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information on-line to us at www.wanderer.com. To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.

website at www.marionma.gov and clicking the "Online Permitting" tab in the left menu. A kiosk is also available for residents to complete building permit applications electronically at the Town House.

The Town's permitting software is user-friendly, accepts electronic payments, and available 24 hours.

All homeowners who have not hired a contractor for a building project may choose to utilize this service by creating a personal account. A contractor can also complete the application online on the resident's behalf. All types of building permits are available to apply online. Supporting documents can be uploaded and attached as needed.

Residents who wish to continue to submit paper permit applications will still be able to do so.

"We are excited to bring this new feature and make it easier for residents to complete their building permits online and support a greener, paper-free option," Town Administrator Jay McGrail said. "We also think this is a good time to launch online permitting and urge residents to file permits electronically to keep business going while minimizing social contact during the coronavirus pandemic."

Anyone who has questions about the online permitting process can call the Building Department at 508-748-7516.

The Marion Scholarship Committee

The Marion Scholarship Committee has two funds: The Scholarship Fund raises money for scholarships for graduating high school seniors; the Education Fund helps provide capital expenses for Sippican School. These are difficult times for students, and many of them question their ability to afford college. Administrators at Sippican School are struggling with unforeseen needs. The Scholarship Committee hopes Marion can help.

In the spring of 2019, the committee had the difficult but happy task of reviewing applications submitted to the Scholarship Fund. After a great deal of discussion, one student was awarded the scholarship. At that time, the committee also was able to provide Sippican School with a needed charging cart for Chromebooks, with funds coming from the Education Fund. Little did the committee realize that COVID-19 would stop their fundraising and their ability to award scholarships and school aid for almost a year.

The Committee is now able to meet again but, due to the need for social distancing, many means of fundraising are not possible. This makes our appeal to the public even more important. The Scholarship Fund and the Education Fund are both entirely made possible through the generosity of Marion citizens. Many people saw the small notice about these funds that was enclosed with the tax bill and responded with donations, and we thank you. We are hopeful that enough money can be raised this year to provide more than one scholarship to deserving high school seniors. In addition, Sippican School is in need of some equipment to better serve students who are learning remotely. The Education Fund will help provide some of this.

If you are able to make a donation of any size, it will be greatly appreciated. Please send checks made out to "Marion Scholarship Committee", care of Town of Marion, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738. Please indicate whether your donation should go to the Scholarship Fund or the Education Fund. Thank you.

Mattapoisett Transfer Station

The new hours of operation for the Mattapoisett Transfer Station located at the end of Tinkham Hill Road are now Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8:00 am to 2:45 pm until further notice. Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said the change was established to better service the community.

New Bedford Symphony 2020-2021 Season

The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra and Music Director Yaniv Dinur are pleased to announce the concert programs for the 2020-2021 season. The intent is to present the season in full by providing access to the concerts from the comfort of home.

NBSO 2020-2021 Season:
"The Hollywood Trinity – Williams, Zimmer, Elfman": Saturday, **January 16**, 7:30 pm
"Uma Noite Portuguesa": Saturday, **March 20**, 7:30 pm
"From the New World": Saturday, **April 24**, 7:30 pm and Sunday, **April 25**, 2:30 pm
"Season Finale: Pinchas Zukerman & Amanda Forsyth": Saturday, **May 22**, 7:30 pm

All concerts will take place at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center in downtown New Bedford. Classical performances include pre-concert talks by Music Director Yaniv Dinur at 6:30 pm in the theater.

The NBSO offers concert tickets through its Symphony Club. Memberships are $60 and include a voucher for two tickets worth $90, and 10 percent off any additional ticket purchases plus invitations to concert receptions with complimentary beer, wine, and desserts.

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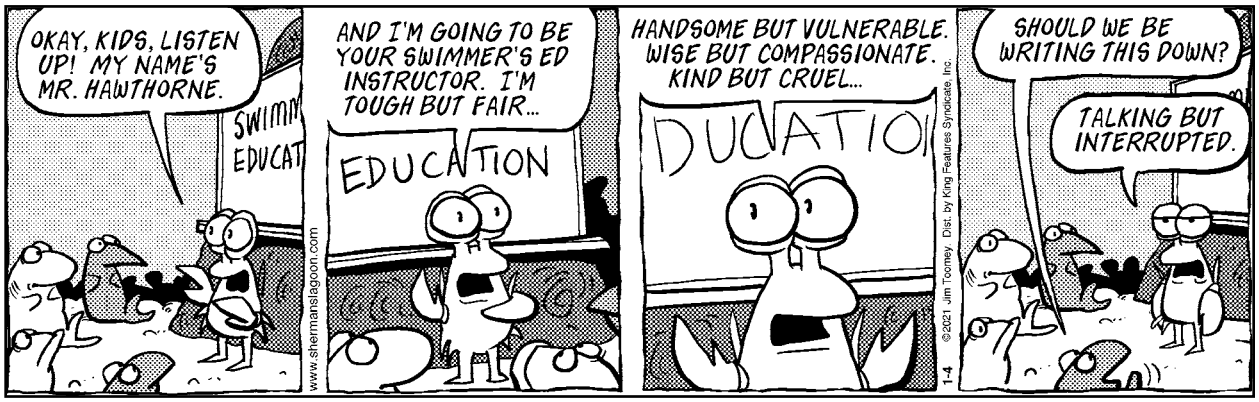
by J.P. Toomey



Memberships last for one year from date of purchase and can be purchased by calling the NBSO at 508-999-6276 ext. 222. or online (nbsymphony.org/ticket-info). Individual concert tickets are currently on sale.

Friends of Marion VNA Funds

Community Nurse Home Care has received funds from the Friends of Marion Visiting Nurse Association to provide Marion residents health-related services not covered by insurance. These funds may be used for the following community Nurse services:

- Care Transition Consultations
- Caregiver Guidance and Navigation
- Comfort Care
- Community Health Worker Outreach
- Complimentary Nursing Evaluation Visits
- Dementia Care and Support

Requests can be made by residents, their family members, the Marion Council on Aging, or medical personnel via email to grants@communitynurse.com; phone: 508-992-6278; or fax: 508-996-0781.

Real Estate Transactions

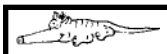
Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Collins, John L Arsenault, Diane	Mclean, Arthur W TR Mclean, Alberta N TR Arthur W Mclean RT	102 Fairhaven Rd	Mattapoisett	12/16/2020	559,000.00
Calodesu LLC Mcnally, Michael J	Mello, Brian	180 New Bedford Rd	Rochester	12/16/2020	240,000.00
Mattapoisett Land Trust	Dean, Scot Raymond	Old Slough Rd 104 & 106	Mattapoisett	12/16/2020	150,000.00
Lucas, Jennifer Lucas, Daniel	Best, Ryan Best, Hannah Jalbert, Hannah E	77 Acushnet Rd	Mattapoisett	12/17/2020	501,000.00
Best, Ryan P Best, Hannah E	Paccia, Jeanne M	17 Hitching Post Rd	Mattapoisett	12/17/2020	629,000.00
Simonelli, Bradley Simonelli, Diane	Griffin, Michael	1 Union Ave 0 Union Ave	Mattapoisett	12/18/2020	125,000.00
Reardon, Daniel T Reardon, Ashley Y	Connet Woods LLC	9 Martin Cir	Rochester	12/18/2020	548,930.00
Lecolst, Greg Lecolst, Jennifer	Judd, Robert H Lavranos, Rania	33 Olde Sheepfield Rd	Marion	12/18/2020	650,000.00
Blake, Peter E Iii Blake, Jennifer K	Bramley, Margaret Dailey	33 Joanne Dr	Marion	12/18/2020	525,000.00
Patrick, Ian M Patrick, Lauren M	Milano, Mark Milano, Ami	2 Briggs Lane Ct	Marion	12/18/2020	1,375,000.00
Dennis Mahoney & Sons	Pine, Island Development	0 County Rd	Mattapoisett	12/18/2020	450,000.00
Debrosse, Edmond Thomas	Preserve At Bay Club LLC	14 Split Rock Ln Lot 122	Mattapoisett	12/21/2020	614,900.00
Barley, Kelly A	Preserve At Bay Club LLC	16 Split Rock Ln Lot 123	Mattapoisett	12/21/2020	595,500.00
Peltier, Donald Peltier, Nancy Peltier Family Trust Moore, Rebecca L TR	Winters, G Ronald	444 County Rd	Mattapoisett	12/21/2020	150,000.00
Gow, Jessica Bernier, Zachary W	Doran, Mary A Pannell, Elizabeth J Pannell, Josephine M Est	11 Bowman Rd	Mattapoisett	12/21/2020	362,000.00
78 Wareham Road LLC	Dejesus, Henry V Jr Dejesus, Henry Dejesus, Judith	Wareham St Lots 2 3 4a & 4b	Marion	12/22/2020	2,300,000.00
78 Wareham Road LLC	Dejesus, Henry V Jr Dejesus, Henry Dejesus, Judith	78 Wareham St Lot 4c	Marion	12/22/2020	1,700,000.00
Wade, Corey T Wade, Kristina L Rodrigues, Louis E Rodrigues, Carol F	Giella, Joseph Giella, Donna M	63 Church St	Mattapoisett	12/22/2020	644,000.00
Brown, Tyler Richard Valenzuela, Sarah Marie	Medeiros, Kami A	199 New Bedford Rd	Rochester	12/22/2020	398,000.00

off the mark by Mark Parisi

Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	January 7	2:04	2:26	8:18	8:12
Friday	January 8	3:06	3:32	9:46	9:16
Saturday	January 9	4:11	4:38	10:52	10:16
Sunday	January 10	5:14	5:39	11:47	11:11
Monday	January 11	6:10	6:34		12:39
Tuesday	January 12	7:03	7:25	12:03	1:29
Wednesday	January 13	7:52	8:14	12:54	2:15
Thursday	January 14	8:40	9:02	1:46	2:53
Friday	January 15	9:27	9:49	2:34	3:26
Saturday	January 16	10:13	10:37	3:18	3:58
Sunday	January 17	10:59	11:26	4:01	4:30
Monday	January 18	11:45		4:45	5:07
Tuesday	January 19	12:14	12:31	5:35	5:49
Wednesday	January 20	1:01	1:16	6:38	6:38
Thursday	January 21	1:46	2:02	8:00	7:34
Friday	January 22	2:35	2:55	9:17	8:34
Saturday	January 23	3:31	3:55	10:15	9:31
Sunday	January 24	4:30	4:52	11:02	10:24

Phases of the Moon		
	New Moon	January 13th
	First Quarter	January 20th
	Full Moon	January 28th
	Last Quarter	February 4th



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on ***I Found the Aardvark***

In the December 31, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 55!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

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Today's Word

WANTING

Sudoku Answer

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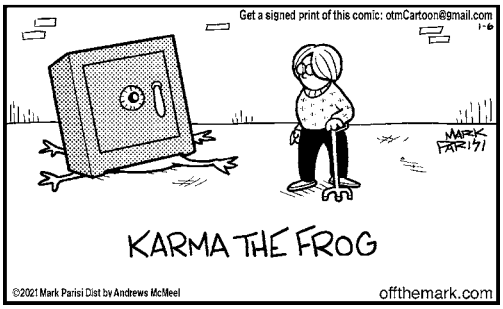

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